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DOG SHOW IN SIGHT

It Will be a Big Thing for Decatur People

Mr. Van Hall Will be Manager—Merchants Join in the Movement—Other City News.

From the Daily of Monday.

Mr. Van Hall, the owner of the $7,600 thoroughbred double nosed pointer, Lord Dundonderry, has returned home from the Bloomington bench show, decorated with a wealth of blue ribbons, captured by the prize canine. The dog took two premiums in his class and added to the pride and satisfaction of his owner. Mr. Van Hall says a Peoria party offered him $1000 cash for his dog, but he refused to accept the money.

It is the purpose of Mr. Van Hall to get up a bench show for Decatur, and he will endeavor to interest dog fanciers and merchants in the enterprise. The show at Bloomington was a huge success. It attracted great crowds daily and considerable enthusiasm was awakened. There was a fox chase in connection with the exhibition, which brought out hundreds of people on horseback, who followed the dogs for hours over hill and dale. Mr. Van Hall says a fox chase is the thing, and that it will not fail to be a big feature of the proposed dog show.

Married at Indianapolis.

Miss Mabel McCann, of Decatur and Harry H. Oates, of Indianapolis Saturday afternoon at Indianapolis. There were only a few friends present at the wedding, among them being Miss Mabel Halstead of Decatur. The bride is a grand daughter of the late Archibald McCann and has many friends in the city. The couple will make their home in Indianapolis. The groom is a traveler for James H Rees & Company of Chicago. The wedding was a surprise to the friends of Miss McCann as it was not known that she was going to be married when she left for Indianapolis.

Bought a Dog.

Bloomington Bulletin: "The pet of the show, Trilby, the queen of the toy bull terriers, and a first prize winner, owned and registered by Mr. E. H. Kuhlman of Bloomington, was sold to a Decatur lady for a handsome price, and goes to its new home Monday."

Mrs. M. P. Metz is the name of the lady who made the purchase. Trilby is a thoroughbred. It is said that before she left the Bloomington dog show with her pet Mrs. Metz was offered $500 for her prize. It was refused.

Against the Covenant Mutual.

Captain J. H. Rowell of Bloomington, former congressman, was the principal speaker at the mass meeting of sixty policy holders of the Covenant Mutual Life Insurance company of Galesburg held at Bloomington Saturday night. The captain went in at 47 at $90 a year on his policy. Now he is 63 and his yearly payment by the cut-throat assessment plan has been raised to $331. He declared that he would fight the company to the bitter end.

Conservator Appointed.

In the county court Saturday afternoon Judge Hammer appointed James H. Parker conservator of the estate of Rachael Parker. Drs G. S. Edmundson and F. P. Cox were the commission who examined into the mental condition of Mrs. Parker and reported that they found she was so feeble that she unable to take care of her business. The conservator gave bond in the sum of $11,000.

The 1897 Strike.

I. W. Fellbaum, member of the state bureau of labor statistics, has favored the Republican with printed copies of the board's review of the coal miners' strike in Illinois in 1897. It is figured that if all the men would have had half time work with average earnings of $2 a day, the aggregate loss in wages during the strike, would be $3,157,914.

Draper's Case.

The new trial of C. L. Draper for the murder of C. L. Hastings at Jacksonville will be had in Jersey county on a change of venue granted by Judge Epler. The verdict on the first trial was imprisonment for life. Court begins in Jersey county, March 21.

Is Getting Along Nicely.

Mrs. W. F. Neister, who underwent a serious operation at St Mary's hospital two weeks ago is gaining daily in strength and if the favorable conditions continue will be able to leave the hospital in ten days or two weeks at the farthest.

Epidemic of Chicken Pox.

There is quite an epidemic of chicken pox among the children throughout the city and vicinity. One physician reports two-thirds of his calls to be for attendance on patients with this disease.

Dr. McClelland Better.

Dr. Silas E. McClelland returned last evening from Champaign, where he visited his brother, Dr. Clarence McClelland, who has been very ill, but who is now much improved.

Sales of Real Estate.

George A. Fleming to Charles M. Wilson, lot 5 in H. S. Evans' second subdivision of a part of the northwest quarter of 15, 16, 2 east; $3500.

George A. Fleming to Charles M. Wilson, lot 7 of *E. L. Martin's subdivision* of the north half of block 7 of Kaufman addition to Decatur; $3000.

ADMINISTRATOR APPOINTED.

In the county court today Judge Hammer appointed S. P. Nickey administration of the estate of the late Mary M. Froman. The administrator gave bond in the sum of $2600, with O B. Gorin and J. M. Brownback as surities.

Memorial Window.

Linn & Scruggs Co. have a beautifully draped memorial window in honor of the sailors who lost their lives by the recent explosion of our battleship Maine in the Havana harbor.

Bought a Horse.

John Delbridge, the horseman, has purchased from John Park, the filly. The animal is a full sister to Prestoria Wilkes and is a fine filly.

WILL BE CARED FOR.

Lydia Williams, the Woman Found in the Hay Stack,

From the Daily of Monday.

Lydia Williams, the woman who was found under a hay stack on the Hirsch farm near Long Creek, is now at the poor farm. The woman's feet were terribly frozen. Her mind seems to be slightly unbalanced. She is very deaf and it is difficult to converse with her. The woman is a Norwegian and Attorney A. G. Webber and several others have interested themselves in her case. Sunday afternoon Mr. Webber visited the woman at the poor farm and talked with her in her native stongue, or rather wrote questions on a paper and the woman answered them. She says that she was in Decatur for two years and that she is unmarried. She has sisters living in Kansas. The woman was at one time employed at the residence of Rev. W. H. Penhallegon, but her actions were so queer that the family formed that she was not a fit person to be in the house. The woman sought for work at various places. Recently she has been working in the family of R. Thomas at 958 East Eldorado street and she says that she left to seek work in the country February 21.

The woman's frozen feet are in a very bad condition and need constant attention. It is impossible at the poor farm to give the proper care to sick persons. The steward and his assistants do the best they can but the poor house is not fitted with facilities for caring or the sick. It is possible that some effort will be made to have the woman taken to the hospital where she can be properly cared for or a nurse may be furnished to look after the woman while she is at the poor farm.

SHOOTING NEAR CLINTON.

Clark Helmick Attempted Saturday to Kill Two People.

Clinton Public, March 5: Clark Helmick, who lives two miles west of Farmer City, attempted to kill his brother in-law, Bob Phares, and sister-in-law, at 9 a. m. today. The bullet scraped the leg of Mr. Phares and hit the hand of the lady, neither wound being serious. No cause is assigned for the rash act. Mr. Helmick has been acting strangely of late, some fearing his mind is disordered. A warrant was placed in Sheriff Neal's hands for his arrest, which was promptly executed by the sheriff and Policeman Campbell. They arrested Helmick at his home, finding on him a heavy slungshot, made of a large sleighbell filled with lead, also a revolver. He gave $800 bonds for his appearance on Tuesday, when State's Attorney Fuller will prosecute the case. His father is a well-to-do citizen of Santa Anna township. Clark Helmick is a cousin to Dan Helmick, who murdered George Davis at Mt. Pulaski on July 4th and who has been sent to the penitentiary for 40 years. Mrs Helmick is in a delicate condition and is confined to bed in the house.

Death of Matthew Skelly.

A telegram has been received announcing the death of Matthew Skelly, aged about 60 years, which occurred at his home at Elkhart, Ind., on Sunday. The deceased leaves a family. Death was caused by blood poisoning, the result of a wound received 38 years ago. He was a bookkeeper by occupation and brother of Frank and John Skelly of Decatur and Lewis F Skelly of Houston, Texas. He had visited Decatur on several occasions.

Sick at the Poor Farm.

Carpenter the man who was taken from Macon to the poor farm, is quite ill. He is suffering from a complication of diseases and has eaten scarcely anything for the past ten days.

Will Filed.

F. P. Wells has offered for probate the will of his father, the late W. T. Wells. Judge Hammer set March 29 as the date for the hearing.

Grindel & Son are now erecting a very handsome monument to the memory of the late Isaac Shellabarger.

ELECTION DAYS

Cut This Out and Save It for Ready Reference.

New Boundaries in Detail—Call for Township Primaries and Convention Soon to be Issued.

The township committeemen will meet within a week to set a time for holding the primaries an issue a call for the Republicans to name candidates for the spring township election, which takes place in April.

The districts of the township have been changed so that the number is increased from 14 to 18. In view of this fact the boundaries of the townships given below are prepared so that the voters may know in which district they reside. The judges and voting places were named some time ago, but the board of supervisors at their meeting this week will probably make some changes in them, so they will not be published until after the board has made the corrections. The boundaries of the district of the township are as follows:

DISTRICTS.

First District—North on Main street from Prairie to Wabash railway, east to North Morgan, south to Prairie, west to North Main.

Second District—North on Main street from Wabash railway to Packard, east to Water, south to Orchard, east to Morgan, south to Wabash railway, west to Main.

Third District—North on Main street from West Main to Wabash railway, west to College, south around west side of College hill to West Main, east to North Main.

Fourth District—North on College from West Main to Wabash railway, west to township line, south to Springfield road, east on road and West Main to College.

Fifth District—North on College street from West Macon to West Main, west on West Main and south side of Springfield road to township line, south to south township line, east to St. Louis branch of Wabash road, north to West Macon street, east to College.

Sixth District—North on South Main street from Illinois Central railway to West Main, west to College, south to Decatur, west to Green, south to Forest, west to Monroe, south to Illinois Central railway, thence following west side of Illinois Central to intersection with South Main.

Seventh—North on Monroe street from Illinois Central railway to Forest, east to Green, north to Decatur, east to College, north to West Macon, west to St. Louis branch of Wabash Ry, south on east side of Wabash to township line, east on township line to Illinois Central railway and to Monroe street.

Eighth District—North along the west side of Illinois Central railway to East Prairie street, west to North Main, south on North and South Main to Illinois Central railroad.

Ninth District—North on Jasper from East Wood to Prairie, west to Illinois Central railway, south along east side of I. C. railway to South Main, south to Marion, east to public road, north to Cantrell, east to Peake, north to East Wood, east to Jasper.

Tenth District—Northwesterly from township line along west side I. D. and W. railway to East Wood street, west to Peake, south to Cantrell, west to public road, south to Marion, west to South Main, north to I. C. railway, south along railway to township line, east to east township line, north along line to I. D. and W. railway.

Eleventh District—North on Jasper street from Prairie to William, east to Stook, north to I. D. and W. railway, west to Woodford, north to Wabash railway, west to Morgan, south to Prairie, east to Jasper.

Twelfth District—Beginning at the intersection of the I. D. and W. and township line, east and north following the township line to the Wabash railway, west along south side railway to Woodford, south to I. D. and W., east to Stook, south to William, west to Jasper, south to East Wood, east to I. D. and W., and thence to the place of beginning.

Thirteenth district—North on township line from Wabash railway to Rea bridge Road, following same west and south to North Jordan, south on Jordan to East Orchard, east to North Morgan, south to Wabash railway, thence east along north side railway to place of beginning.

Fourteenth district—North on Jordan from Orchard to the Rea bridge road, following same east and north to east township line, north to north township line, west to Illinois Central, south to Orchard, east to Jordan.

Fifteenth District—North on west side of Illinois Central railway from Orchard to Herkimer, west to North Main, south to Packard, east to Water, south to Orchard, east to railway.

Sixteenth District—North on west side of Illinois Central railway from Herkimer street to township line, west to the P. D. and E. railway, south and east on railway to North Church street, south to Herkimer, east to railway.

Seventeenth District—North on Main street from Marietta to Herkimer, west to Church, north to P. D. and E. railway, west and north along railway to township line, west to west township line, south to Mt. Pulaski road, east and south on Mt. Pulaski road and West Pugh to Vandyke, south to Marietta, east to North Main.

Eighteenth District—North on North Main street from Wabash railway to Marietta, west to Vandyke, north to West Pugh, west on South side of Pugh and Mt. Pulaski road to township line, south to Wabash railway, east along railway to North Main.

OBITUARY.

A Brave Soldier's Good Record is Closed.

From the Daily of Tuesday.

James Withgott who died at his home near Long Creek station, February 28, was not only a good soldier, but a valuable citizen. He was the son of James Withgott of Pennsylvania, where he was born January 24, 1838.

While quite young he moved with his parents to Chillicothe, Ohio, when the tocsin of war was sounded he enlisted as a private in Company I, 73rd Ohio volunteers and after three full years of service re-enlisted as a veteran and was promoted to the rank of sergeant. He participated in many of the most sanguinary battles of the war, in all 18, among them Bull Run, Chancellorsville, Lookout Mountain, Missionary Ridge and Gettysburg. He passed through the war without being either wounded or captured.

At Cincinnati, Ohio, September 28, 1865, he was united in marriage to Miss Sarah L. Bowdle. From this union four children were born of whom two are still living, Mrs. Almira Grace Allen of Long Creek and Mrs. Lillie Maud Pickle, living two miles east of Decatur. August 14, 1878, his wife died. February 10, 1883, he was united in marriage to Miss Martha Ann Rozzle. Three children were born to them, one, an infant son, having died. The other two, Carrie May, 13 years old, and James Harrison, six years old, still survive.

About the year 1867 he came to Decatur and had resided in and near the city until the time of his death. He was a member of the G. A. R. up to a short time before he died. In early life he become a Christian and had been for many years past a member of the Grace M. E. church in this city. His home life was that of a Christian, always kind and self sacrificing. His bereaved wife and children have lost a truly noble husband and father and the county one of her best citizens. His memory will long linger as incense poured forth by those who knew him best.

NO REPLY FROM PONTIAC.

Roy Dupuy's Second Attempt to Ge a Free Car Ride a Fizzle.

From the Daily of Monday.

Some time ago States Attorney Mills received a letter from Superintendent Torrance of the Pontiac reform school, stating that Roy Dupuy had again made a confess on that he killed W. B Carlisle. Dupuy is the man who confessed to the crime and was indicted and when brought from the reform school to this city for trial he denied his statements and said that he was not telling the truth when he confessed to murdering Carlisle. There was nothing to do but send him back so that boy was again taken to the reform school. The superintendent said that Dupuy claimed that his lawyers told him to deny the confession and insisted that he really did kill Carlisle. Mr Mills did not want to bother with him unless he was sure that he meant what he said so he sent word to the superintendent to get a written confession from Dupuy. Mr. Mills has not yet received any reply so it is likely that Dupuy is unwilling to give a written confession.

Haverly-Applegast.

From the Daily of Monday

Miss Maggie Applegast of Decatur and William Haverly of Mitchell, Ind., will be married at the home of relatives of Miss Applegast at Olney, Ill., on Wednesday. Miss Applegast has been employed as a domestic at the home of Milton Johnson for the past two years and is an energetic and well liked young woman. Mr. Haverly owns a farm near Mitchell, Ind., where they will reside. Miss Applegast left here this morning to join Mr. Haverly at Olney.

Marriage Misfits.

Attorney W. T. Cousins started two divorce cases yesterday. In both cases he represents the wives and both asked leave to prosecute as poor persons, as they had no money to pay costs. Birdie Kershner asked divorce from Charles Kershner, alleging adultery and habitual drunkenness.

Minnie Nelson asked divorce from William David Nelson because of desertion.

Blue Mound Republicans.

The Republican voters of Blue Mound township will meet at the town hall in Boody at 2 o'clock March 19, to elect a township committee and to nominate candidates for the various township offices which are to be voted for at the township election April 5, 1898. By order of committee, E. W. Jokisch, Chairman.

Births.

Born—On March 2, to Mr. and Mrs Silas N. Burgess at San Fernando, Los Angeles county, Cal., a son. Mr. Burgess is a son of Sullivan Burgess of this city.

To A. S. Lang and wife, 814 South Traver street, March 6, a son.

THE WABASH WON

In the Damage Suit Brought Against Them.

A Suit in the Circuit Court to Recover an Insurance Premium—Jury Secured and the Case Now on Trial.

From the Daily of Wednesday.

The case of J. E. Osborne, administrator for the estate of Charles Reed a brakeman, which was on trial in the circuit court, was decided today. The Wabash won the case. Mr. Osborne as administrator, was suing for damages for the death of Reed. Just before noon today the case was finished and the court instructed to find for the defendant. The jury retired and in a few minutes returned, their verdict being that the defendant was not guilty.

The next case taken up was that of Jesse Leforgee and John E. Patterson, as the firm of Leforgee & Company vs A. T. Risley. The defendant held a mortgage on the Dougherty hotel. The property was purchased by another man and Leforgee & Company wrote the insurance on the building. The plaintiffs claim that the mortgage guaranteed that the premium on the insurance would be paid. The firm were unable to collect the premium and they now hold Mr. Risley responsible. The defendants claim that he is not responsible for the payment of the premium. The jurors secured who are hearing the case are as follows: E. P. Brewer, W. W. Knipple, Joe Proctor, A. J. Cook, Manford Beckham, Frank Crum, A. Rassler, H. Brennan, John H. Combs, John Gauer, R. A. Miller and James Cook.

AT PRAIRIE VALLEY SCHOOL

Members of the Literary Society Give an Entertainment.

The entertainment given by the pupils at Prairie Valley school, northwest of La Place recently, was in every way a success. Those who participated in the attractive program were Ex-President Tohill, President Cyrus Metzgar, Mr. Hall, Clifford Vanhorn, Mary Buckingham, Floyd Tohill, Dora Metzgar, Randall Tohill, Emma Metzgar, Carrie Probst, Orval Groff, Theswa Groff, Selwin Blythe, Havel Vanhorn, Earl Hirsch, Elaine Probst, Anna Buckingham, Ben Buckingham, John Probst; also songs by the society and selections by the graphaphone. Then came the debate on the question: "Resolved, that the bicycle is more useful than the horse and buggy." The speakers for the affirmative were Selwin Blythe and Henry Urban; negative, Remus and Garfield Tohill; the judges were Mrs. Arthur McDonald, Albert Wolf, Amos Metzgar. The debate was a hot one from beginning to finish was decided in favor of the negative. They will have another meeting in two weeks on Thursday evening, March 17, instead of Friday on account of some of the members want to take the final examinations, beginning at 7.30 p. m., subject: "Resolved, that art is more pleasing to the eye than nature." The debaters will be as follows: Affirmative, Warren Duncan, Remus Tohill and Selwin Blythe; negative, Cyrus Metzger, Bennie Fleck and Garfield Tohill.

The Corn Carnival.

The corn carnival which is to be held in this city the last week in November will be a large affair. There are about 100 Decatur ladies who are interested in the movement. They will have an exhibition everything that pertains to the great corn industry of the country. All kinds of dishes made from corn will be served. A letter has been received from E. S. Torsman, the man who made the big corn picture for the World's Fair and who is now working on another for the Paris exposition. He thinks that the corn carnival will be a great thing and that it will draw several thousand persons to Decatur. He has promised to do all that he can in the way of assisting the ladies in the enterprise. The proceeds of the undertakiing will be used largely for charity.

Sales of Real Estate.

Flora A. Hughes to Joseph Miller, lot 9 in block 11 in the village of Blue Mound; $785.

John J. Combs to Henry H. Uphaus, lots 14, 15 and 16, in railroad addition to Macon; $600.

Adam Starbat to August Burtnshewski, lot 4 in block 2 of Peddicord and Burrows addition to Decatur; $850.

Austin Republicans.

The Republican votes of Austin township will meet at the town hall on Wednesday, Mach 16, at 3 p. m., for the purpose of nominating candidates for town officers. Joshua Hubbard, Chairman.

Mt. Zion Republicans.

The Mt. Zion Republican primary will be held at the Republican hall at Mt. Zion, Saturday, March 19, at 2 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of nominating a town ticket. C. H. Scott, chairman.

Go to Spencer & Lehman's for garden seeds. They are now in receipt of large invoices of fresh seeds from the most reliable houses in the country.—m1-dawtw

DECATUR ARGONAUTS.

They Sailed from Seattle on Saturday for Copper City Gold.

From the Daily of Monday.

A letter received this morning by Mrs. G. H. Conklin was mailed at Seattle on last Thursday and says the Conklin party was then ready to sail. Everything was packed, the last piece of harness, the food was bought and the steamer Valencia was then in the harbor and they would go aboard on Friday morning. The steamer sailed on Saturday. Mr. Conklin writes that a Mr. A. A. Sanders, a former Decatur citizen, and a party came up from San Francisco on the steamer, also a party of 30 came in on Thursday from St. Louis and were headed by an experienced miner from British Columbia, all bound for Copper City. Mr. Conklin says the rush for the Klondike that we read about so much grows greater every day but old and experienced miners say that the rush might continue at the present rate for 10 years and the gold land would not then be thoroughly explored. There are hundreds and hundreds of miles of the richest territory where no prospecting has been done at all. The party is more than ever convinced that they have chosen the right place to begin their work as the rush from Klondike is headed that way and hundreds of miners are going to Copper City just as soon as the rivers are opened up for navigation. The Conklin party will cross the Valdet pass, which is considered even more dangerous than the famous Chilcoot pass, but by doing this will reach the gold fields at Copper City in advance of the parties who are depending on the rivers for transportation. In copies of papers mailed from Seattle the stories of the riches that are daily pouring into Seattle from the gold fields read like fairy tales and act as a constant incentive and stimulant to those waiting to sail.

In making the final arrangements the party bought two tons of shelled corn, one and one-fourth tons of oats and one ton of alfalfa hay for their oxen. They will take six oxen and two ponies. The larger oxen, of which they have two, will draw three sleds and the smaller ones two sleds. They will also carry pack saddles with a part of the daily provisions. Mr. Conklin says the greatest fun they have had since they reached Seattle was in shoeing the oxen. The beasts resented this innovation very much and had to be bound and hung in the air in order to accomplish the work.

CONVENTION AT MACON.

Gathering of Christian Ministers and Earnest Workers.

A meeting of representatives of the Macon county Christian Church will be held at Macon March 22 and 23.

PROGRAM.

Tuesday Evening Sermon..... S. A. Ennefer

Wednesday—

9 00 a. m.—Devotional.....P. W. Humphrey
9.15 a. m.—Church College . . . J. H. Hardin
9.45 a. m.—Bible Study and Teaching . . . . . M. Stevenson
10 00 a. m.—Good Manners . . . E. A. Gilliland
11 00 a. m.—Social Purity Teaching G. P. Hall
11.30 a. m.—Devotional . . . . . G. W. Hall
2 00 p. m.—Devotional..... G. W. Hughes
2 15 p. m.—Sunday School Work... M. B. Sonyd
2 45 p. m.—Missionary Methods, L. T. Sanders
3 30 p. m.—C. W. B. M. Work Rachel Crouch
4 00 p. m.—The Church as a Student L. W. Morgan
7 00 p. m.—Model C. E. Meeting..... . . . . L. E. Newcomer
7:45 p. m.—Sermon . . . . . Albert Nichols

List of Patents

Granted to Illinois inventors this week Reported by C. A. Snow & Co., patent attorneys, Washington, D. C.:

John Q. Adams, Marseilles, corn sheller; James M. Beckwith, Streator, display rack; Charles O. Bruno Rockford, mitering machine; Budd Frankenfield, Madison, method of and apparatus for regulating electric motors, Ludwig Gutmann, Peoria, carrous collecting device, Karl Hurlman, Rankin, grain conveyer; Ed K. Meredith, Batavia, apparatus for filtering and separating oil from water; Albert L. Buce, Forrest, couch or lounge, Albert L Platt, Clinton, adding machine; Edward F. Shellabarger, DeKalb, wire fence machine attachment; Worden E. Stoddard, Elburn, Bow. For copy of any of the above patents send 10 cents in postage stamps with date of this paper to C. A. Snow & Co., Washington, D. C.

Grain dealers estimate that not over 50 per cent of the corn now in the country has found its way to market. In this section the bad roads are to blame for this state of affairs. In many cases farmers have received advances on the crop, which will be delivered when the mud blockade has been raised.

Invitations are out for the wedding of I. J. Davis, formerly of this city, and Miss Anna Brown. The marriage will take place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Brown in Oak Park, Ill., March 17.

Go to Spencer & Lehman's for wood pumps, iron lift pumps, force pumps, chain pumps and pump repairing.—Mar. 1-d&wtf.

Charles L. Hadley of Latham, Ill., has been granted an increase of pension through the agency of M. Shea, pension attorney.

The revival services at Long Creek M. E. church have been of such interest that they will be continued yet a few nights. There have been quite a number converted and joined the church.

Mrs. Logan, who lives with her husband, three miles east of the city, is quite ill and her many friends are concerned about her recovery.

THE SUPERVISORS

Account of To-Day's Proceedings of the Board.

HELD A SHORT SESSION

And Adjourned at 2:30 O'clock This Afternoon—Routine Business Matters were Given Attention.

From the Daily of Wednesday.

The board of supervisors met this morning at 10 o'clock to transact the second day's business. In the absence of Chairman Bean Supervisor Draper was chosen to preside. All were present excepting Supervisors Bean and Hockaday. Bills were read and referred to the proper committees.

O. B. Gorin for the judiciary committee made a verbal report in the matter of collecting personal taxes where persons have moved from the county. On motion of Mr. Allen the report was approved and the clerk was instructed to issue writs on all such parties as provided by law.

Supervisor Nickey moved that the committee on miscellaneous claims ascertain whether or not the rent for the room occupied by the township collector had been collected. Mr. Allen amended by giving the committee power to collect the rent.

Mr. Stoy moved that a committee of three be appointed to look at a boiler which had been bought from the county by W. L. Oakes. The boiler it is claimed was found to be defective after it had been purchased. Mr. Nickey moved to amend by referring the matter to the building committee.

Justice of the Peace Hardy's claims for state cases was referred to the judiciary committee.

Mr Riber moved that the public building committee be instructed to pay the bill of the Central Union Telephone company in full. Tucker made an amendment that the public building committee allow the county clerk to pay the bill for the telephones in the county clerk and the circuit judge's offices. And that the balance of the bill be disallowed. Mr. Allen moved that a committee of three be appointed to confer with county officers and see whether or not the Central Union telephones were needed in the offices. Allen, Tucker and Orr composed the committee.

The matter of renovating the court house was reconsidered and the chairman of the public building committee was instructed to receive bids for the work and report to the board at this meeting.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Mr. Gorin for the judiciary committee reported that the claims of Justice Hardy could be paid if the board chose to do so, or need not be paid if the board did not want to pay them. Mr. Kipp moved that Mr. Magee be allowed to buy as many iron beds as were needed at the poor farm and also to have the outside of the windows at the poor house painted.

Mr. Draper moved that the matter of the petit jury box and the general laws in regard to it be referred to the judiciary committee to report back to the board.

The matter of the appointment of the grand jury was referred to the judiciary committee to ascertain when it was proper for the appointments to be made. The board then adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

The special committee appointed to confer with the highway commissioners in regard to the rebuilding of the Maffit bridge reported that the total cost of the bridge was $4939. Of this amount $3318 was the contract price and the rest was for extras. The report was approved. The report of the county treasurer was given and approved. W. C. Hurley, steward of the poor farm made a report which was approved. It showed that during the past three months nine inmates had been received, seven discharged and that 44 are now on hand. The health of the inmates is good.

Overseer of the Poor J. S. McClelland, reported that during the past three months $114.34 worth of clothing, provisions and other goods had been distributed among the poor. The supervisors of Decatur township were given power to revise the list of judges for the election.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 1898.

The increase of the British army for this year will be 21,000 men, which is only 6000 less than our entire army.

The people who do the voting want Spain turned down promptly. This is an important fact.

There may be some question as to whether the insurgents of Cuba have a constitutional government, but there is no mistaking the fact that Spain has no government in Cuba

A good deal has been said about getting ready for Spain, but it would be well to note the fact that Spain is also getting ready. With this condition of things it is pretty hard to see what advantage can be gained by delay

The following table shows the reduction in the number of business failures in this country over the corresponding period in last year. It will doubtless interest the gentlemen who have in their recent appeals to the public expressed such distress over the business conditions in the United States

Failures for week ending Feb 19, 1898	269
Failures for week ending Feb. 12, 1898	278
Failures for week ending Feb. 19, 1897	326

These is everything short of intervention to encourage the Cubans. Blanco has been unable to encourage corruption among the officers of the patriot army and this fact has greatly strengthened the Cubans and added recruits to the army. On the other hand the Spanish army is weaker than it was when Blanco assumed command and is unable to make advances upon the insurgent ranks with any assurance of success

Senator Mills has expressed alarm over an effort to commit the Democracy of Texas to a protective tariff. The Wilson bill caused a loss of millions of dollars annually to the business interests of Texas while the Dingey bill has made them millions of dollars already and with all the fuss Mills is making over a discredited ideal called free trade the people of Texas should be honest with themselves and vote for protection

Here is a record of the prices of silver bullion in New York covering a period of ten weeks·

	Per Ounce.
December 1, 1897	.593
December 11, 1897	.587
December 31, 1897	.581
January 9, 1898	.579
January 22, 1898	.573
February 17, 1898	.56

And this is the kind of metal of which people are now gravely proposing to make the currency of the United States.

People who are still complaining about the fact that New England cotton mills have been compelled to reduce wages may find an explanation in the following table showing the growth of the cotton manufacturing industry in the south in the past 18 years It will be observed that this growth, which operates under precisely the same tariff law that prevails in New England, has been something phenomenal.

	Mills.	Spindles.	Looms.	Capital
1880	180	667,000	11,000	$21,900,000
1890	561	1,712,000	39,000	81,900,000
1898	401	4,100,000	115,000	115,000,000

If silver dollars are really so popular and so much demanded by the people as is assumed by the friends of the white metal why is it that the four hundred millions of them lying in the treasury vaults are permitted to remain there when people could get them in exchange for the silver certificates which they now carry in their pockets? The number of silver dollars in circulation actually decreased in the year following Mr. Bryan's nomination, while the gold in circulation increased 72 million dollars.

President McKinley's firm and patriotic attitude in the recent crises with reference to Cuban matters has been and is cordially commended by men of all parties. The dignified but vigorous stand taken by him in the De Lome incident has already resulted in a complete disavowal by the Spanish government, and his course and that of his official family in regard to the Maine disaster is receiving a general approval, and his hands in this trying moment are being cordially upheld by men irrespective of past party relationship

President McKinley may be depended upon to bring the Cuban complications to a conclusion satisfactory to the people. He has been tried in war and in peace and knows how to do the right thing at the right time At the battle of Cedar Creek, when the day seemed to be lost to the federal army he encouraged the troops with the assurance that the enemy could yet be defeated and when Sheridan came on the ground it was he who removed the general's overcoat and urged him to ride along the line to encourage the troops. McKinley has proved that he is not afraid to fight when it is proper to fight

Boston Journal. A mere reduction of the tariff never won us a dollar's worth of trade in foreign countries. It never will. The idea that it can is the shinnest kind of humbug. Our foreign commerce reached the very highest figures in our history right in the stiffest period of the McKinley law, and now that the disastrous "tariff reform" experiment of Gorman-Wilsonism is abandoned, and we have another vigorous protective act, what do we find? Why, that we are selling more of our cheap agricultural products and specialized Yankee manufactures to foreign purchasers than ever.

The conclusion of the naval board now investigating the Maine disaster, when arrived at, can be depended upon to be in accordance with the best facts that can be obtained and will be without partiality and regardless of consequences. The country can depend upon this because the officers who constitute the board, by virtue of their calling and their relation to the government are absolutely without political bias in performing such duties and in this sense the findings of this board will be worth more to the country than the report of any committee created by congress.

Latest reports from Russia indicate that its purchase of bullion for silver coinage has been greatly reduced and that hereafter it will use silver only for subsidiary coinage Thus the adoption of the gold standard by this great country is fairly entered upon. It was not long ago the boast of the friends of silver that their favorite metal was the currency of far more than half the population of the world But since its abandonment by Japan, with 44,000,000 population, Russia with 136,000,000 population, and India with 296,000,000, the total population of the silver-using countries dwindles to a comparatively insignificant figure.

It seems that the men who have been fighting the Republican party during its entire existence upon the ground that its tariff policy was not a proper one are now conceding that it is, and has been from the first, right. Four frenzied appeals to the people as against the Republican party have been issued during the present month, that of ex-Candidate Bryan, followed by those of the three party leaders who are striving to unite the elements of national discord in his support, yet not one of them mentions as an argument against the Republicans this great subject which today shares in its estimation an equal honor with sound money. Since these men now admit by their silence that the Republican party ever since its existence has been right in its fight for this great principle of protection and that they have been wrong in their fight against it, is it not possible that the views of its leaders on the money question are entitled to some consideration as against those of the men who thus admit the unsoundness of their views on an equally important subject in the past?

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: The report that Boutelle, the chairman of the house committee on naval affairs, did not until a few days ago know the approximate number, condition and distribution by states of the naval militia, if true, shows that that gentleman has no fitness for his post. Ignorance on these points might be pardonable in a member of the committee on ventilation and accoustics or of that on irrigation of arid lands, but it is hardly excusable in the head of the committee which has general charge of the preliminary work of naval legislation in his branch of congress If Chairman Walker of the banking and currency committee, were found to be oblivious to the fact that state banks had been deprived of the currency issue function, and if Chairman Hitt of the committee on foreign affairs, were discovered to be a little shaky as to whether Spain was a monarchy or a republic, the country would say that these men ought to be transferred to some other field of operations. Even with this accumulation of ignorance, however, they would be no worse misfits than Boutelle is if this naval militia story is true. As the report that he has been retarding imperative naval legislation, however, seems to be correct, he is an unfit man for his post in any case.

Has the condition of the workingmen really gotten worse, as is constantly asserted by the professional fault-finders in political life? The United States commissioner of labor thinks not, and he bases this conclusion upon a very careful study of the subject ranging through a long term of years. The commissioner, Hon Carroll D. Wright, in a recent article on the subject in the Forum, states that the number of unemployed people in the United States and in other parts of the world is now less than it was under the old system of production and hand labor, now displaced by machinery. He further shows that the average rate of wages now paid to labor is higher than under former conditions, while the introduction of machinery has greatly reduced the cost of the articles produced, thus giving a treble advantage to labor, First, in the number of people employed; second, in the wages paid, and, third, by a reduction in the prices of the articles manufactured and which they must purchase for their own use.

The nine planks for the next Democratic platform which Mr. Bryan has recently presented to the anxious public are—

1st Opposition to gold monometallism
2d Free coinage at 16 to 1.
3d. Retention of the greenbacks.
4th, Opposition to national banks
5th, Opposition to bond issues.
6th. Income tax.
7th Abolition of trusts.
8th Opposition to government by injunction
9th. Arbitration of disputes between labor and capital

An analysis of these propositions mean:

1st Silver monometallism in the interest of the silver trust.

2d The retention of the "endless chain" by which the treasury department may be quickly emptied of its gold and the payment of bonds in silver forced.

3d The destruction of the national banking system and substitution of government paper which could only be redeemed in silver by reason of the disappearance of gold which would follow free coinage at 16 to 1.

4th The readoption of the proposition already declared unconstitutional by the supreme court—the income tax.

5th An attack upon that most sacred right of American citizens under the constitution, the right of injunction.

On the tariff, be it, like his free silver associates who have recently appealed to the public in favor of fusion, absolutely silent.

What the People Expect.

San Francisco Call: Among the measures the people have a right to expect of this session of congress is an act to promote the shipping interests of the country, and to give to American industry on the ocean the same protection that is given on land.

There is apparently no great difficulty in the way of providing the desired legislation. The Republican party is not divided on that issue as it is on the money question. A majority in the senate favors it as well as a majority in the house. It is even probable that several Democrats from the seacoast states would support it. Every prospect of the situation is therefore favorable for the enactment of a comprehensive measure of the kind, and there will be a widespread popular disappointment if the session closes without one.

In the aggregate the amount of tribute paid by the United States to foreign countries for ocean shipping is enormous. According to the estimates of experts on the subject we are at present paying at the rate of $300,000,000 a year for such transportation. As our exports increase the freight will increase, and a large proportion of the profits of our expanding industries will thus be carried to foreign lands despite the protection given to them by the tariff.

The issue is one on which the boards of trade and chambers of commerce throughout the country should act. Petitions should be sent to congress urging the enactment of such legislation at this session. American ships, manned by American sailors and flying the American flag, should carry American goods to the nations of the world It is folly to pay to foreigners an enormous tribute when by developing our shipping industry as we have developed other industries we can save the money for the enrichment of our own people and the increase of the commercial prestige of our nation.

A Double Benefit.

Topeka (Kan.) Capital: The Dingley law has encouraged American foreign trade by reducing American purchases abroad and increasing foreign purchases of American goods It has been a double benefit to this country in stimulating home capital, increasing the home market and extending the foreign market. It shows that the best way to go after the "markets of the world" is to look first after the home market and put the home producer into condition to meet foreign competition at home and abroad alike

None of these considerations will be noticed in the free trade press because they show once more by official statistics the hollowness of the free trade professions and the wrong-headedness of the free trade theory If the opposition to the Republican principle of tariff for protection were to give out the facts and leave the deductions therefrom to be drawn by the people, instead of holding to exploded theories in spite of monumental proofs to the contrary, and if they would confine themselves to the trade statistics instead of to the theories of doctrinaries written in books, there would be no free trade party in this country inside of six months.

The Two Tariff Laws.

Chairman Dingley and those who cooperated with him in framing a new revenue law are highly gratified with the February figures of the treasury department, showing as they do that the receipts average over a million dollars a day and were in excess not only of the month's current expenses, but of the average current expenses during the past five years In the 28 days of February the receipts were $28,572,548, a larger sum than in any February since the inauguration of President Cleveland The expenditures were $26,729,010, leaving for the month a surplus of $1,843,358, the first surplus which the month of Feurnary has shown since the election of President Cleveland and his free trade congress The customs receipts alone were $15,040,680, a sum larger than in any February since the inauguration of President Cleveland. The average daily receipts during the month were $1,020,447, which is over $17,000 per day in excess of the average daily expenditures during the past five years The daily receipts, which in the first month of the Dingley law averaged $629,794 per diem, were in February, an average of $1,020,447 per diem, while its customs receipts, which in the first month averaged but $295,409 per diem, averaged in February $537,181 per diem, an increase of about 140 per cent The total receipts during the first seven months of its operation are nearly $17,000,000 in excess of those of the Wilson law during the first seven months of its operation

All of the above figures, it should be understood, relate solely to the legitimate current operations of the revenue laws and do not include any of the receipts or expenditures growing out of the Pacific railroad transactions of the past few months All of those figures relating in any way to the Pacific railroad matter are excluded, and the figures of the above statements and the tables which follow relate exclusively to the current receipts and expenditures, aside from the Pacific railroad transactions.

The total receipts for the first seven months of the Wilson law were $159,201,038 while the total receipts of the Dingley law for the first seven were $175,818,781 in spite of the fact that millions of dollars worth of goods were entered at the custom houses in anticipation of the higher duties of the pending Dingley law while importations were withheld when the Wilson law was being enacted, for the lower duties the Wilson law was expected to impose

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A NOBLE WOMAN

Services Held at W. C. T. U. Hall Last Night.

IN MEMORY OF MISS WILLARD

Miss Crissey Presided—Addresses by Rev. Craft and Rev. Bowyer—Paper by Mrs. W. F. Gillmore.

From the Daily of Friday.

Memorial services in honor of the late Frances E. Willard were held at the W C. T. U. hall last evening. The hall was well filled with friends and admirers of Miss Willard and her wonderful and noble work The platform was beautified by the use of a number of blooming plants Miss Willard's picture rested on an easel at the right of the platform and was draped in white. The chandeliers were hung with white and purple bunting The president, Miss Crissey, presided.

The services were opened by a prayer by Mrs Eliza Crary, who also read the scripture lesson beginning with a passage which was especially liked by Miss Willard, "To be carnal minded is to die, to be spiritually minded is to live" This was followed by a solo, "Lead Kindly Light," by Miss Mamie Green. Rev. Frost Craft spoke of Miss Willard as an educator, reviewing her career as a teacher and spoke of the broad educational lines on which she had advanced and the wide influence for good her teachings had brought forth.

Rev S. H. Bowyer in his talk of Miss Willard as a reformer said the subject was of so great importance from every point of view that we might dwell on it for hours without exhausting it. In quoting the scriptural passage, "By their fruit ye shall know them," he said that we know Miss Willard by the knowledge of this great temperance movement which is abroad in the land today After touching on the works of Miss Willard as a reformer he closed with a glowing tribute to her ability as an organizer

Miss Crissey in an entertaining and interesting manner gave reminiscences of Miss Willard. She spoke of the great grief which smote the hears of the women of America when the life of their leader went out and said that no woman ever lived with nobler, higher ambitions and greater modesty, power, magnetism and winsome womanliness She spoke of her early efforts in organizing the W C T U. and in extending the temperance work In closing she said that though she was gone from among the active scenes of life her memory would live forever as an incentive and her noble work would encourage her followers for ages to come

Mrs Gillmore read a paper referring to the closing incidents in the life of Miss Willard, speaking mostly of her work in the last national convention and reviewing her last days of life, her last efforts in behalf of the cause she loved so well and the manner of her death.

Rev. Marion E Stevenson made the closing prayer and pronounced the benediction.

Found Their Lost Father

Mr and Mrs C. B Adkesson of Riverside Place, this city, have been at Baltimore, Md, several weeks on a visit, guests of Mrs Mary F. Hallen, sister of Mrs. Adkesson. For 35 years, ever since the close of the war, their father, Martin Nalls, has been missing, and no trace of him could be found. A few days ago he was discovered with a broken hip in a hospital in New York city, and the two daughters notified They visited their father at the hospital and will see to it that the last years of his life are passed in comfort Nalls was a strong union man during the war, when his home was at Alexandria, Va, and was once sentenced to be shot by the rebels, but union soldiers saved his life All these years he did not know that his wife had died, nor that his two daughters were living

Bristow-Deffart Wedding

Samuel Bristow of Indian Territory and Miss Laura DeHart were married on Thursday at the U. B parsonage, the ceremony being performed by Rev. M. B Spayd. The attendants were Miss Mabel Hatfield and Bert DeHart After the ceremony the couple went to the home of Mr and Mrs Daniel DeHart on North Union street, where the wedding breakfast was served The relatives of the young couple were present at the wedding Mr and Mrs Bristow left on the afternoon train for Indian Territory, where they will make their home. The groom formerly lived in Decatur and worked for the electric street car company He has been working at Wagoner, I T, as an operator for the Western Union Telegraph company. The bride is a daughter of Mr and Mrs Daniel DeHart and is quite well known in the city She formerly was employed at the Linn & Scruggs store

Mowequa.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs Everett Russell, February 25, a daughter.

William Friend of Lancaster, Ohio, was called here last Friday by the sickness of his sister, Mrs Roffner.

Mrs Amy Adams visited relatives at Pana the latter part of last week.

Miss Josie Spitler of Sullivan has been called here by the illness of her aunt.

Mrs Emma Corzine of Assumption spent last week with relatives here

Mrs James Solly of Decatur is visiting the family of her son, James Higgins, this week

Mrs M. L White is in St Louis getting up to-date millinery.

Miss Maggie Hoy of Shelbyville spent Sunday here.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Snyder visited at Walker last Friday.

John and Con Winebell returned from Indiana Tuesday. They were called there by the death of their mother

Daniel Moll is much better at this time.

Henry Moll of Chicago was called home by the illness of his father this week.

H. F. Day, John Baker, J. M. Houston and W. S. Rugha were in Shelbyville this week.

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Assumption.

Mrs. James' Munson of Davis City, Iowa, was buried here yesterday. She was the daughter of S. A. Robinson, a prominent liveryman of this city.

Harry Nordyke and Miss Dolly Campbell, both of this place, were married Wednesday evening by Rev. J. A Stout.

Mrs. M Haverfield of Bloomington, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Osborne, this week.

Miss Marie Duncan is the guest of Mrs Lorie Stewart this week.

Miss Ella Lacharite is a Pana visitor today.

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Birthday Surprise at Blue Mound.

One of the largest social gatherings that has been held in Blue Mound for some time was the surprise party given at the Beckett residence in Blue Mound the 2d inst., in honor of Mr Beckett's birthday The surprise was planned by Mrs Beckett and was successfully carried out There were a large number of guests present and many handsome gifts were received by Mr. Beckett to commemorate his birthday and their visit

Blacksmith Shop Burned.

The blacksmith shop belonging to Richard Best on Mason street was burned Thursday morning, the loss amounting to about $100. The feed yard and a dwelling house adjoining the blacksmith shop were on fire but the fire department arrived in time to put out the flames before any serious damage was done The fire started about 6 30 o'clock and there is no clue to its origin

H O McConnell was fined $5 and costs for expectorating on the floor of Hoopeston's new city building

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A GOOD SESSION

Close of Presbytery Meeting at Mt. Zion.

J. S. KEENER WAS MODERATOR

Historic Gavel Used—List of Preachers and Elders Present—Church Affairs in Decatur C. P. District.

From the Daily of Friday.

The spring session of Decatur Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, which met at Mt. Zion Tuesday evening, March 1, closed Thursday evening. The fall session of this Presbytery will begin at Windsor, Shelby county, the first Tuesday in September next.

This Presbytery embraces the counties of Macon, Effingham, and a part of Coles, Shelby, Moultrie and Christian counties, and represents 19 congregations with a total membership of about 1600.

The ministers present at the session were Rev. N. M. Baker of Lincoln, W. L. Bankson of Blue Mound, W. W. M. Barber of Windsor, A. G. Bergen of Mattoon, D. W. Cheek of Mt. Zion, M. Dillow of Cerro Gordo, A. B. Elliott of Sullivan, A. W. Hawkins of Decatur, J. H. Hughey of Decatur, J. S. Keener of Boody, T. B. McAmis of Bethany, Arthur Morrison of North Fork, W. H. Wilson of Argenta; licentiates, S. J. Curry of Gays; candidates, W. A. Dry of Gays, George Hartley of Mattoon.

The following elders were present as representatives of their respective congregations: Robert Machon of Argenta, T. H. Crowder of Bethany, W. B. Smith of Bethlehem, D. M. Riber of Blue Mound, Hugh Logan of Decatur, J. M. Moore of Gays, W. T. Moffett of Madison, B. W. Davidson of Mt. Zion, S. D. Freeland of New Hope, J. E. Rucker of North Fork, Charles Boardman of Shady Grove, O. H. Brunck of Windsor, William Birchfield of Woods Chaple, M. B. Williams of Rockford, D. T. Vermillion of Hopewell.

The program as published in the Republican of Wednesday was followed with the exception of a few minor changes.

Rev. J. S. Keener was elected moderator for the session and filled the position with dignity and impartiality.

Rev. J. J. Wilson of Foster Presbytery and Rev. Johnson of Sangamon Presbytery were visiting members and were invited to a seat with the body.

A pleasing and interesting feature of the opening of the session was the presentation to the Presbytery of a gavel by the Mt. Zion Y. P. S. C. E. society. The gavel was a historical memento as it was made from wood from the old log church at Mt. Zion, the first church built by this congregation, which was organized in 1820, and is the mother of Decatur Presbytery. The first Presbytery that met in this old log church was in 1833 and this little congregation was at that time a part of Vandalia Presbytery. One old father in Israel still lives who was present at that session.

Rev. J. W. Woods of Mattoon, who was unable to be present at the present session on account of the infirmities of old age. However, this dear old father sent a most touching and interesting paper, which was read and listened to with reverent attention by the body and placed on file with its records.

The presentation of the gavel was made by Rev. D. W. Cheek, pastor of Mt. Zion congregation, and W. L. Riber president of the C. E. society.

On Wednesday evening the woman's board of missions occupied the time from 7:30 until adjournment for the day.

Mrs. Motice, field worker at large for the woman's board, delivered an able address, which was quite pleasingly supplemented by an exercise by the local junior C. E. society, under the direction of its superintendent, Mrs. D. W. Cheek.

Thursday afternoon at 2:30, by special permission of the Presbytery, President Turner of Lincoln University, in a very forcible manner presented before the Presbytery the conditions and needs of the institution. This institution was reported in a very gratifying condition, but future and growing needs were presented for the keeping of this splendid university of learning in the eminent position it occupies among the institutions of the state.

At 7:30 in the evening President Turner delivered an address on "The Denominational College," to a full house. His remarks were very pungent and pointed and often punctuated by apt illustrations that kept the people in good humor and held their attention with absorbing interest.

At the close of the address the business of the Presbytery having been disposed of the body adjourned to meet September 6, at Windsor, Shelby county. The delegates and visitors were very hospitably entertained by the people of Mt. Zion and vicinity and the Presbytery tendered a vote of thanks to the people for their hearty treatment, and in return the people voted their appreciation of the privilege of having the assembly at Mt. Zion and their enjoyment of the session.

IN A DESTITUTE CONDITION

A Woman Found in a Haystack on the Hirsch Farm Near Long Creek.

From the Daily of Saturday.

A woman past 80 years of age who gave her name as Lydia Williams was found in a destitute condition yesterday morning in a haystack on the farm of John Hirsch, near Long Creek. The woman's feet and toes were terribly frozen and she was suffering with hunger and cold. Mr. Hirsch found the woman when going about his farm yesterday and she was taken to a house and cared for. Dr. Davidson of La Place was called and gave the woman medical attention.

She said that she had been at the hay stack where she was found for the past three weeks, but Mr. Hirsch says that he does not think she could have possibly been there more than one day or he would have found her. The woman claims that she came from St. Louis to Decatur seeking work. She could not find anything to do and says she walked to Long Creek. She is very deaf and her mind is apparently slightly unbalanced. Nothing is known of the woman except what she told herself. The matter was reported to Supervisor Rucker and the woman was brought to Decatur on the I. D. and W. train to render medical attention. He examined the woman's feet and said that they were terribly frozen. It is likely that more will be learned of the woman later.

Rib Broken.

John Sifford, a Vandalia coach cleaner, while cleaning the lamps in a Vandalia coach on Thursday morning, fell from a board which he had laid across the seats in order to reach the lamps and fell across the iron arm of a car seat, breaking a rib on his left side and making some painful bruises. He did not think his injuries serious and worked as usual on Thursday, but last night when he attempted to go to work the pain was so great he was forced to abandon his work and go home. Dr. H. C. Jones was called to attend him. Mr. Sifford will be disabled for two or three weeks.

A Telephone Exchange.

Maroa Times: At the meeting of the city council last Monday night an ordinance was passed giving H. M. Moore of Decatur the right to put in a local telephone exchange, and the work will be commenced in a short time. Mr. Moore is connected with the Citizens' Mutual at Decatur and he proposes to give the people here good service. A telephone exchange in Maroa will be appreciated by the people to the extent, we believe, of a liberal patronage.

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Over 25,000 Men Employed—Sixty Nine Killed—Condition of Winter Wheat in the State.

From the Daily of Thursday.

The advance sheets of the forthcoming report of the bureau of labor statistics, which relates to the coal mining industry of the state, are out. The statistics show that coal is produced in 50 counties and that the number of mines and openings of all kinds is 85. There were 79 new mines or old ones reopened during the year, while 118 were closed as abandoned mines. The total output of all mines was 20,072,758 tons. Of the 858 mines, 310 are classed as shipping and 548 as local mines. The average value of lump coal at the mines is given at 85.2c per ton and the average value of other grades at 86.5c. The average home value of the total product is stated at $14,472,529. The average number of miners employed during the year was 36,498 and the total employes were 33,788. The average price paid for hand mining was 50.6c a ton. The number of kegs of blasting powder used was 39,133. The number of men accidentally killed was 69 and the number injured so as to lose a week or more of time was 518. The total output of shipping mines was 19,886,573 pounds.

Winter Wheat in Illinois.

The government advices as to the condition of winter wheat throughout the country are encouraging, showing that the crop is in good condition. For the state of Illinois there are conflicting reports, but prevailing opinions indicate that the small amount of wheat sown in the northern districts in good condition and well protected. The central district has a small acreage generally, with fair to poor condition along the north and throughout the eastern counties, but fair to good condition in central, southern and western counties. The southern district reports small plant, somewhat damaged by freezing and thawing, with best prospects in north and west counties. Seeding everywhere was late and the plant is small, but the winter has been generally favorable.

WROTE A HYMN.

Secretary T. W. Stewart, of the Y. M. C. A. is a Composer of Music.

T. W. Stewart, the general secretary of the local Y. M. C. A., has written a hymn. Mr. Stewart has written the music for the words by Dr. Charles S. Robinson of New York, who is a well known hymn writer. Mr. Stewart received permission from Dr. Robinson to use his words with the hymn and the music has been copyrighted and will be published soon by William J. Kirkpatrick, the publisher of Philadelphia. The hymn is an old and popular one, the title being "Savior, I Follow Thee." Mr. Stewart has in the past written the music for a number of hymns.

Given Up by Four Doctors.

Beaver Dam, O., Aug. 27, 1895.

My daughter, after being treated by four doctors, and being given up for lost, a neighbor recommended Foley's Kidney Cure. To day she is able to walk several miles without fatigue. I feel we would have lost her if it was not for your medicine. Respectfully,

MRS. J. M. BAILEY.

—H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

JURY DISAGREED

In the Case of Edwards vs. Cereal Mill Company.

THE WESTERN UNION CASE

Judge Vail Has Taken Under Advisement—The Suit of Arthur vs. Buckingham and Schroll on Trial Today.

From the Daily of Thursday.

The jury in the case of Jack Edwards vs. the Decatur Cereal Mill Company, wherein the plaintiff was suing for $5000 for the loss of a foot while working at the mill, returned this morning and announced that they could not agree. The judge discharged the jurors and the case was continued. The jury had been out for two days. They stood 9 to 3 in favor of giving the plaintiff damages.

The suit of Suffern, Hunt & Co. vs. the Western Union Telegraph company, which was tried in the circuit court, came to a close yesterday and Judge Vail took it under advisement and will render his opinion later.

Today the attorneys are trying to secure a jury to hear the case of Joseph Arthur vs. I. A. Buckingham and Charles E. Schroll. It is the second trial of the case. The plaintiff is suing on a note signed by the two men when they were partners. Mr. Buckingham claims that in dissolving partnership it was agreed that Mr. Schroll was to pay the note.

The only entries on the dockets today were as follows:

John Edwards, by his next friend, Charles J. Edwards, vs. the Decatur Cereal Mill Company; trespass. Jury come into open court and announced their inability to agree and the court being satisfied that the jury could not agree, the jurors were discharged and the cause continued.

Joseph Arthur vs. Isaac A. Buckingham and C. E. Schroll; assumpsit. Motion by defendant for continuance and motion overruled.

Charles O. Randolph vs. Hans Tay; assumpsit. Continued by agreement.

SALES OF REAL ESTATE.

William W. Day to Emma C. Kater, lot 15, in block 1 of Peter Brueck's addition to Decatur; $595

Samuel E. Stout to Sarah Jane Stout, lots 1 and 2 in block 8 in S. W. Brook's addition to Niantic; $1.

Barton W. S Clough to Lemuel Wikoff, the south half of the southwest quarter of 8, 18, 2 east; $600

Minor Schoolcraft to Bradley and Hense lot 8 in block 7 of the village of Blue Mound; $275.

IN BUCKINGHAM'S FAVOR.

The Jury in the Arthur Case Returned a Verdict This Afternoon.

From the Daily of Saturday.

The jury in the case of Joseph Arthur vs. I. A. Buckingham and C. E. Schroll returned a verdict this afternoon in favor of the defendant, Mr. Buckingham, and against the defendant, C. E. Schroll, giving the plaintiff judgment against Schroll for $2163.33.

High School Societies.

From the Daily of Saturday

Friday afternoon the Sapphonians observed the following program: Reading, Mary Laughlin, piano solo, Mary Clark, recitation, Edith Calaway; piano solo, Clara Allison.

The Alpha Beta society met last night and the following program was given: Essay; reading, Clarence Nelman; autobiography, Thomas McClelland; piano solo, Chester Smith; recitation, Ed Gruble; newspaper, Clyde L. Bankson; reading, Clyde Frazier.

THE GENERAL EXAMINATIONS.

During the past week Superintendent Keller held central examinations at the Boody, Harristown, Niantic, Boiling Springs and Warrensburg schools. At the Niantic school there was a class of 60 pupils. This is the largest class ever at any one central examination. Next week centrals will be held at the Excelsior, Hadley, Blue Mound and Argenta schools.

STATE INSTITUTE

Effort Will be Made to Secure It for Decatur.

THE BIG CORN CARNIVAL

Committee Appointed from Each Township to Assist in Arrangement—Will be Held in November.

From the Daily of Saturday.

It is probable that the Illinois State Farmers' Institute will be held in Decatur in February, 1899. At a meeting of the officers and executive committee of the Macon County Farmers' Institute this afternoon it was decided to make an effort to secure the institute for Decatur and it is understood that the city can have it if the people want it. Those present at the meeting this afternoon were W. H. Bean, G. W. Betzer, E. B. Moffett, J. W. Wheeler, J. B. Burrows, C. H. Scott, C. E. Wheeler and J. F. Muirheid.

The following resolution was passed:

"We, the undersigned members of the executive committee of the Macon County Farmers' Institute, will recommend that the president and secretary take steps toward getting the Illinois State Farmers' Institute to meet in Decatur in 1899."

THE CORN CARNIVAL.

The ladies who are to hold the big corn carnival in Decatur in November requested President Bean of the farmers' institute to appoint committees from each township to assist in the arrangement. The following were the committees appointed by Dr. Bean: Decatur—Charles Wheeler and E. A. Gastman; Austin, J. B. Knowlin; Blue Mound, T. M. Taylor; Harristown, Louis Stookey; Illini, A. H. Eyman; Wheatland, Frank Ward, Macon, James Lobo; Friends Creek, Robert Mahan; Hickory Point, T. M. Moore; Long Creek, J. B. Burrows; Mt. Zion, Mrs. Charles Fletcher; Niantic, Mr. Shaffer; Oakley, H. Manackey. A committeeman was also appointed from Milam, Pleasant View and Maroa townships.

OTTAWA'S TRAGEDY.

Coroner Has a Tough Job Solving a Mystery.

Ottawa, Ill., March 5.—The developments in the double tragedy are stirring up the city. The man supposed to be C. W. Wood of Chicago, appears to have committed suicide after having shot and killed the Ottawa woman named Irene Brider.

The woman spent last week in Chicago. Wood followed her here. The coroner is investigating the rumors that a man from La Salle, who was jealous of the attentions to the woman by Wood committed the deed.

CAN GET ANOTHER TRIAL

But It is Probable Eddie Cook Will Serve Seven Years.

Havana, Ill., March 4.—Attorney A. J. Barr, before leaving for Bloomington, declared that there was an error in the record in the Eddie Cook case and that the verdict could not be made to stand. He did not say that an attempt would be made to secure a new trial and it is believed that Cook will serve the sentence of seven years, which, with the time allowed for good conduct, will be comparatively light.

OLNEY UNDER ARMS.

Soldiers in Training Ready to Fight for America.

Olney, Ill., March 4.—Company L, 4th regiment of this city, is being put through rigid drills in anticipation of service. They marched across country to Claremont and returned yesterday, a distance of 20 miles. They were fully equipped. The company's captain, Franz Munch, is an ex-regular army man, and an enthusiast in military matters. He was the first officer in Illinois to offer his services and those of his company to Governor Tanner. He telegraphed to the governor the morning after the Maine was destroyed.

United States at Paris.

Paris, March 5.—Thomas Wilbur Crindler, United States special commissioner to the Paris exhibition in 1900, has arrived from Havre. I saw him at the Hotel Athone, where he explained his plans. He said:

"The object of my visit is to complete the work of the late Moses P. Handy. I shall call at the embassy. Ambassador Porter will present me to Commissioner Picquard and to Delauncy Belleville. The United States needs more space. One million dollars is likely to be appropriated. Space for art, horticulture, forestry, chase and fisheries has yet to be alloted. We are no worse off in this respect than other nations, as space for these exhibits has been left undecided for all nationalities. We hope to be able to compete with those nations making extraordinary efforts, such as Germany and England. While I am here in a dual capacity, as an officer of the state department and special commissioner, my work is entirely connected with the exposition. As soon as my report is presented to the president my office of special commissioner ceases."

Homeless Cuban Children.

Washington, March 5.—Consul General Lee has formally notified the department that as one result of his efforts to ameliorate the condition of the poor in Havana he had secured from the Spanish authorities the use of a large storehouse, which he proposed to use as an orphan asylum to shelter the many little children left parentless by the war. His cablegram read as follows:

"Havana, March 3.—Have established an asylum for destitute small orphans regardless of nationality. The money sent by you will be applied to the purchase of food for said orphans. LEE."

Hard to Please.

Madrid, March 5.—The Epoca, the sober-sided conservative paper says:

"We believe that just in the same manner as the Washington government acted in the case of Senor de Lome, which was a case much less grave, so should Senor Gullon act in the case of General Lee. The relations of that official with the insurrectionists and his maintenance in Havana are prejudicial to the good relations of Spain and the United States."

Shocking Death.

Burlington, Iowa, March 5.—Lieutenant Frank Kalke, U. S. A., commandant of the Iowa Wesleyan university, at Mt. Pleasant, attempted to board a train here this morning. He missed his footing and was cut completely in two at the waist.

Lost in a Storm.

Koenigsberg, Prussia, March 5.—A dispatch from Meist states that four fishing vessels were wrecked in a storm. Ten fishermen were drowned and six are missing.

THE MURDER TRIAL

Special Venire of One Hundred Jurymen Drawn.

TO SERVE IN MAUZY CASE

Must Report to the Court Monday, March 14—The Trial Will be a Long and Interesting One.

From the Daily of Saturday.

The trial of Joe Mauzy for the alleged murder of Mat McKinley will begin before Judge Vail in the circuit court on Monday morning March 14. The trial will be the most important that has ever been held in this county, and probably more persons are interested in the details than in any other murder case in the history of Macon county.

Today Deputy Circuit Clerk Williams drew a special venire of 100 men from whom will be selected the jurors to try the case. If a sufficient number of jurymen are not secured from the 100 men then another hundred will be drawn. It is likely that the entire first week of the trial will be taken up in securing a jury. So much has appeared about the case in the newspapers and it has been talked of so generally that the lawyers will probably find it necessary to examine several hundred men before securing a jury. The attorneys in the case expect to be ready to begin on the day set.

THE JURYMEN.

The following are the names of the 100 men who were drawn today and who are to report for service:

Decatur—G. Collins, C. E. Adkinson, J. B. Aldexander, William Caldwell, W. B. Brown, W. C. Dimock, C. F. Bran, C. L. Boyer, H. R. Maris, John S. Kiser, George W. Portwood, W. D. Lewis, Frank Elwood, John Brewster, Lon M. Richardson, Albert H. Barber, W. T. Beadles, John M. Black, Joseph Bowman, Albert Clark, Gus Ahrens, Conrad Ammann, S. L. Peake, W. E. Long, P. J. Lowe, Martin Shield, W. F. Carter, Adam Gendry, William Cable, Adam Ellis, George Dempsey, William Bolz, William Dook, Albert Beckman, Frank B. Blume, Fred R. Cooper, James Dayton, O. A. Bolen, Hiram Dillehunt, G. D. Bleatuck, Asa Clothier, James Brand, George Diller, D. B. Culp, C. E. Barnard, J. F. Nichols, W. M. Burns, C. E. Akers, C. M. Barnett.

Blue Mound—T. W. Brown, W. M. Austin, Charles Bailey.

Friends Creek—T. Noble, L. Ruddock, J. A. Bricer, J. R. Bradshaw.

Harristown—William Holly, Samuel Bair.

Hickory Point—J. W. Christy, Arthur Allen.

Illini—Alfred Buckley, Aaron Keller

Decatur Township—John Barrow, G. F. Albert, John Baumgardner.

Long Creek—R. F. McDonald, G. W. Litz, David Florey, A. B. Chapman.

Maroa—Lindon Bowden.

Milam—W. A. Arnold, Ed Carr, F. P. Hoffman, Wesley McComb, John Cloud.

Mt Zion—Joseph Blair, Albert Broughton, Charles B. Britton, James Ballinger, M. L. Henry.

Niantic—Abe Enlow.

Oakley—William Andrews, E. Workheiser, Harvey Allbright.

Pleasant View—Thomas Bankson, J. B. Beckett, F. M. Abrams, W. G. Carr.

South Macon—John Carroll.

South Wheatland—Fred S. Creekman, Samuel Bell, F. M. Browning, Edward Bauer, Jabile Burt, Robert Wayts, George Mitchell, Frank S. Craycroft.

Whitmore—Thomas Malloy, D. Gassett, C. L. Holman.

Are Now at Naples.

A postal received by Decatur friends of Mrs. Buck this morning was mailed at Naples and said the party were well and enjoying their stay at the quaint old Italian city to the utmost. The postal was a souvenir and was prettily decorated with a view of the steamer Aller in full sail on the blue waters of the Mediterranean.

Officers Elected.

At the meeting of the Woman's Missionary society of the First Presbyterian church yesterday afternoon the following officers were elected to serve for the coming year:

President—Mrs R. G. Wells.

Vice Presidents—Mrs. W. T. Wells, Miss Carrie Powers.

Secretary—Mrs. McConnell.

Treasurer—Mrs. T. T. Roberts.

Back From the South.

John H. McKinley of Forsyth was in the city today on his return trip from a tour of the Southern states. Mr McKinley as all southern tourists, reports the south in a flourishing condition, spring well advanced and plenty of willingness manifested on the part of the citizens to assist in whipping the Spanish.

Milam Republicans.

The Republicans of Milam township will hold a convention at the Milam Center school house on Saturday, March 19, at 2 p. m. A. H. Hill, Chairman.

Animatiscope Advertisement.

The Animatiscope is a novel little advertisement, being sent out by Folrath & Hardy, the shoe men. A series of photographs are placed in a box and by turn of a crank attached to the box the characters appear and disappear in a most life like manner.

MANY PEOPLE CANNOT DRINK

coffee at night. It spoils their sleep. You can drink Grain-O when you please and sleep like a top. For Grain-O does not stimulate; it nourishes, cheers and feeds. Yet it looks and tastes like the best coffee. For nervous persons, young people and children Grain-O is the perfect drink. Made from pure grains. Get a package from your grocer today. Try it in place of coffee. 15 and 25c.

Had to Jump.

THE FATE OF A PROMINENT MARINE GROCERYMAN.

P. H. Monahan, one of Detroit's Oldest and Best Known Merchants Meets with a Serious Experience.

From the Evening News, Detroit, Mich.

Prominent among the business men of Detroit, Mich., is Patrick H. Monahan, who resides at 199 Baker Street.

He has been actively engaged in the grocery business for the past forty-seven years, of which forty-two years have been in Detroit. Coming here nearly half a century ago he started into business at the corner of Second and Jefferson Avenues, and for years catered to the marine trade. From Duluth to Buffalo his name as an honorable, honest boat supply man was well known to all boatmen.

No matter what time of day or night, the Monahan Marine Grocery was kept open for the convenience of the lake boats. He is the best known and oldest retail grocery dealer in Detroit. He has been successful in business by his square dealings, and is yet to be found behind the counter any day at his large store, corner of Twelfth and Baker Streets. To a reporter, he recently said:

"When we first opened the Jefferson Avenue store we had to work day and night. The vessels that needed supplies, wanted them right off and we had to jump all the time. The reason vesselmen patronized us, was because we filled their orders at once. Every hour counts with them and we had a double set of clerks that worked day and night. I have been hustling all my life. No man can succeed in business without hustling. Some people hustle too much, and I was one of them.

"About four years ago I had to give up on account of my back giving out. It had bothered me for years. For a week I sat around the house and then had to go to bed. The family physician said that I had worn myself out by hard work. I did not do much for nearly two years, and doctored for my kidneys. My friends advised me to try remedies that they had faith in, and I tried nearly all of them. I was ready for any remedy that would relieve me, but I did not receive any benefit.

"I read considerable during my sickness and in my daily paper I noticed frequently articles regarding the wonderful cures made by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and how the pills contained, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. One day I read of a case like mine, in which a complete cure had been effected. That convinced me that the pills had merit, and I decided to try them as they cost only 50 cents a box (never in loose form) or six boxes for $2.50, and could be had at any druggist's, or by mail from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N.Y. The next day I asked the druggist regarding them. He said, 'We sell large quantities of the pills and they are well recommended by the purchasers.' They build up the blood, and restore the glow of health to pale and sallow cheeks, and effect a radical cure in all cases arising from mental worry, overwork or excesses of whatever nature. I bought a box and took it home, and commenced to take the pills. Before I had taken one box that intense pain which for fifteen years had nearly killed me was gone. I continued using the pills until I had taken four boxes, which made me feel as well as I had for years previous to my sickness. My friends noticed the change at once and were more than pleased to see me out again. I continued using the pills, and in less than sixty days I was so much improved that I was able to attend to business."

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A new "Singer" given in exchange for it.

All you have to do *is to send this information on a postal card.* (1) your name; (2) location of your residence; (3) post office address; (4) name of your machine; (5) its factory number; (6) length of time in use; (7) paper in which you saw this. *Send details in this* **exact** *order on a* **postal card** *—don't send a letter—and put nothing else on the postal card but the information desired.*

This is no guessing contest requiring a payment, a subscription or a personal service of any sort. If you own an old sewing-machine, you have only to send the requisite information in order to compete for a prize worth having. It costs absolutely nothing but a postal card, which may bring to your door the best sewing-machine in the world in exchange for your old one.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 1898.

Last year in 930 Italian duels but one man was killed. The present year starts out much better as one man was killed a few days ago in an encounter with swords.

Senator Mills of Texas announces he will not be a candidate to succeed himself in the United States senate. This is entirely appropriate as the other mills in the country have started up.

When the people of South Carolina appeal to the federal government to hunt down the assassins of a negro postmaster in that state it may be said that state sovereignty has perished forever.

The present Spanish ministry seems to have come to the conclusion that nothing short of war with the United States will satisfy the Spanish people. On the other hand the American people are willing to grant satisfaction along this line.

Speaker Reed and Representative Boutelle are now trying to explain their course in delaying the senate bill in the house for increasing the artillery army of the service by two regiments. They have discovered it was loaded.

It is significant that on the same day Russia entered into a 99 year lease for the occupancy of Port Arthur the Cramps should receive from a foreign nation a proposition for the establishment of a shipyard and a manufactory for large ordnance.

There may or may not be war with Spain, but one thing is certain that had the United States treated Spain with the vigor that should have been displayed when that nation was imprisoning American citizens two years ago there would be danger of war now. Temporizing with the Spaniards has led them to assume that we are afraid of war.

A few years ago there were many newspapers and would-be statesmen who claimed that the building of warships and coast defenses was a useless extravagance, but all these people seem to have died as nothing is heard from them now. Not one is standing up to be counted. No nation knows when it may stand amidst the peril of war unless it is well prepared to defend itself on sea and on land. If the American navy were twice as large as it is now Spain would not be half as saucy.

Ground hog day, 1898, was evidently a favorable one for the revenue system of the country, and the winter of our revenue discontent appears to be a thing of the past. February receipts averaged more than a million dollars a day and were the largest in any February since the inauguration of President Cleveland. For the first time since the election of Cleveland and his free trade congress, there was a February surplus. The receipts for the month were $28,072,538, and the surplus $1,815,258. The indications are that the receipts for the present month will be considerably larger than those of February and that the days of treasury deficits are at an end.

President McKinley's conservative and firm attitude in regard to the Cuban situation, and the care which his administration is exercising to prevent unwise and dangerous action, continue to receive the highest approbation from citizens and representative journals of all parties. There is an evident feeling among all classes of good citizens that the recent event ought to be thoroughly investigated and understood before action is taken, and an equal evidence of entire confidence in the president's wisdom and willingness to take the proper action, whatever that may be, when the facts are known. Until they are known, public sentiment demands no action other than that of the character which has already been had.

In declining to stand again for the senate Roger Q. Mills has this to say of silver:

"Now that the great body of the commercial world has taken its stand against silver, I do not believe it in the power of the United States alone, by its independent action, to restore the value of silver to par with gold at 16 to 1. I believe that the United States can restore the demand which they withdrew, but I do not believe they can restore the demand which was withdrawn by other countries when they closed their mints against silver. If we can open our mints to the unlimited coinage of silver when in every market in the world 16 ounces of gold is worth 30 ounces of silver, we will soon part with all gold and have all silver. But that is not bimetallism. That is monometallism. I have opposed monometallism of either gold or silver.

The predictions made by free traders that the duty placed upon rawhides by the Dingley tariff law would increase the prices of boots and shoes has, as is usual with such predictions, proven untrue. Dun's Review of February 26 says that the month's sales of boots and shoes, although the heaviest ever known in February, are at prices slightly lower than those of one year ago. Men's grain shoes, which it quotes at $1.07½ in January, 1897 are quoted February 23, 1898, at $1; creedmore splits, which were quoted at $1 on January 1, 1897, are quoted at 97½ cents on February 23, 1898; wax brogans, which were quoted at 97½ cents on January 1, 1897, are 95 cents February 23, 1898; women's buff shoes, quoted at 80 cents January 1, 1897, are quoted at 77½ cents February 23, 1898.

The promises made by the Republicans in the campaign of 1896 are rapidly being redeemed. Not only has a new tariff law been promptly placed upon the statute books and reached a stage in which it is producing sufficient revenue to meet the running expenses of the government, but reports from all parts of the country continue to show increased activity in business and manufactures. Here is a summary from last week's developments from Dun's Review. "Strikers at the Fall River cotton mill have resumed work and several more Southern mills have been added. One more iron furnace in Ohio, a new tin-plate plant in Pennsylvania, and a wire-nail establishment in Washington have started, and the Bessemer department at Bethlehem has resumed. Many works are crowding production to the utmost, and the Pennsylvania Steel company reports 4119 men employed at full time and some extra time, against 3742 employed three days per week a year ago. So large a part of the works are now fully employed, though this is usually the dull season, that no great increase is to be expected."

The course of the new comptroller of the currency, Hon. Charles G. Dawes, in regard to the affairs of the Chestnut Street National Bank of Philadelphia is being very highly commended. The plan offered by the directors, stockholders and a part of the creditors of the bank contemplated turning in all the property of Mr. Singerly, including his newspaper, to satisfy the claims against the bank. While this looked well on its face, Mr. Dawes found on examination that it would release the debtors and stockholders from liabilities to the depositors, and promptly refused his assent, although he met with severe criticism from financiers and newspapers of the City of Brotherly Love. He insisted that the rights of depositors must be securely guarded, and refused any plan which would relieve the stockholders and creditors from liability to them, thus protecting those by whom the losses would have been most severely felt, and showing that the tradition that affairs of national banks are administered in the interests of the wealthy only does not apply, at least under present conditions.

An 'Untoward Frost"

American Economist: Senator Cullom of Illinois was a speaker at the banquet of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Board of Trade of New York on Washington's birthday and in the course of his remarks he yielded to the patriotic spirit of the day and the occasion to the extent of painting some rosy pictures of the present and future commercial greatness of the United States. He said, in part:

Situated as you gentlemen are at the fountain head of American trade, occupying the highest seats of American commerce, with the broad fields of all the oceans at your feet, your ships plough their furrows from horizon to horizon carrying to the ends of the earth the gathered products of America and bringing to your wharves their golden return.

The balance of trade in our favor for the last calendar year, 1897, reached the sum of $355,000,000, which has added much to the prosperity and advancement and the improvement of the country.

What does this mean to our people? If we sell $350,000,000 more goods each year for three years than we buy, that is an aggregate of $1,000,000,000 to be added to the credit side of our commercial balance sheet. Will not that wonderful reversal of the current of business have its certain effect upon our prosperity and general welfare?

Let but this unparalleled record of our trade and commerce and enterprise continue, as it must and will continue under our fostering tariff legislation, and we shall soon be the greatest supply house of the commercial world. (Applause.)

Powerful and really great is as the British nation, we of the United States need not be nervous or disheartened over our own future. The contest for supremacy in the commercial world need give us no fear. All we need to do is to go steadfastly and persistently forward, just as we are now doing, maintaining our present unequaled system of protection, meeting our obligations at home and abroad with 100 cents on the dollar and standing as a nation

"Four square to all the winds that blow."

Then the United States, out riding every storm, will easily become the first nation of the earth. (Applause.)

If no untoward frost shall fall upon the business interests of the United States, and if the young plant of push and progress shall not be withered and choked by adverse legislation, I affirm my belief that the coming five years will witness the most complete and widespread increase and extension of profitable business and consequent prosperity and happiness ever experienced in our beloved country. (Great applause.)

No fault can be found with Senator Cullom's sentiment or rhetoric; both are admirable and pleasing. It is a pity, however that they are not altogether sustained by facts. It is, unfortunately, to "your ships"—that is, the ships of the members of the New York Merchants' and Manufacturers' Board of Trade—that plough their furrows from horizon to horizon, carrying to the ends of the earth the gathered products of America and bringing to your wharves their golden return.'

They are, there's the pity, all alien ships, owned and manned almost entirely by foreigners, to whom we pay $300,000,000 every year, or nearly the amount of that favorable trade balance which in three years mounts to an "aggregate of $10,000,000,000 to be added to the credit side of our commercial balance sheet.' Not so Senator Cullom. If we keep on paying 25 per cent. of the gross value of our exports to vessels built and owned in Europe and officered and sailed by foreigners, it is going to be a long while before we shall "easily become the first nation of the earth."

The "untoward frost" that is mentioned by the Illinois senator as the string wherewith his glowing prediction may be pulled back is already upon us to the extent of $20,000,000 a year which for the most part goes to swell British bank accounts and maintain British supremacy in commerce industry and finance.

The frost is with us and upon us, and it will remain to check the tremendous prosperity which is rightfully ours until Senator Cullom and his fellow protectionists in congress awake to the real state of the case and meet the legislation necessary to treat the American ship on the same basis that our tariff laws treat the American factory.

As the case now stands, the American ship is the only American thing with which the outside world comes into competition that is not protected. That is the "untoward frost" which blights the fruitful prospect in Senator Cullom's patriotic picture.

Vast Benefits to Labor.

The American Economist: Convincing testimony as to the improved condition of organized labor is given by Commissioner John T. McDonough of the New York state bureau of labor statistics in his annual report. According to this report, on March 31 last 937 labor organizations reported a total membership of 142,570. At the close of the next quarter, June 30, 976 unions reported a membership of 151,206 and on September 30 1009 organizations reported 157,494 members, of whom 5702 were women. The increase in the number of organizations reporting for the third quarter was mainly due to more complete returns.

On March 31 43,681 members of unions were reported as out of work at that time, or 30.6 per cent. Three months later, on June 30, 27,378 were returned as unemployed, or 18.1 per cent, while on September 30 28,280 were so reported, or 18.9 per cent.

Reports as to the number of days each member worked show that during the first quarter the average number of days of work per member was for men, 58; for women, 6. In the second quarter it was 69 for men and 57 for women, while for the third quarter it was 67 for men and 66 for women.

From the increase of the number of days each male member of a trade's union worked from 58 days in the first quarter to 69 in the second and 67 in the third quarters of the year 1897, as well as from the marked decrease in the percentage of the unemployed—30.6 per cent on the 31st of March, 18.1 per cent on the 30th of June, and 18.9 per cent on the 30th of September—the conclusion is plain that there has been an enormous increase in the gross aggregate of employment and wages during this year of protection to industries and to labor.

What is true of New York is true of every state in the union. In some of the states—for example, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Ohio and Illinois—the full statistics would doubtless show a still larger increase in the percentage of employment furnished and wages paid.

The total sum for the wage-earning and wage-paying classes of the whole United States would, if obtainable, present a gain for the year amounting to many hundreds of millions of dollars.

Gigantic sums are needed to measure the total benefits already wrought by the American policy of protection.

CORONER'S INQUEST.

Held This Morning Over the Body of Infant of Mrs. Artie Owens.

From the Daily of Wednesday.

This forenoon at 11 o'clock Deputy Coroner Roy Bendure held an inquest over the remains of the infant child of Mrs. Artie Owens, a colored woman, living at 417 South Webster street. The woman lives in a miserable house and the child was born without the attention of a physician. The child was dead. The coroner was notified and on account of the peculiar circumstances surrounding the death an inquest was held. Alice Bennet testified to the circumstances of the case, Alethe Fields, a young colored woman, who made her home with Mrs. Owens testified that she sent for a doctor but none came. The mother of the child also testified. Three years ago her husband left her. There were no carpets on the floor of the house and the woman had no medical attention whatever. It was the opinion of the witnesses that the child was dead when it was born and the jury returned a verdict to that effect. The jury was composed of the following: Dr. Will Chenoweth, foreman; Dr. Fred R. Stoner, I. N. Martin, E. McCarty, C. W. Hartley and J. D. Reese.

MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 9.

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.	Yesterday
Wheat—					
March	—	—	—	102½	102¾
May	1 05⅛	105⅛	101⅛	104⅝	104⅝
July	91¼	91⅛	90⅜	90⅝	91
Corn—					
March	—	—	—	28⅝	28¾
May	30⅛	30⅛	30⅛	30⅛	30⅝
July	31⅛	31⅜	31⅛	31⅛	31¼
Oats—					
March	—	—	—	26⅛	26½
May	26¾	27	26⅝	27	26¾
July	24⅝	24⅝	24⅝	24⅝	24⅝
Pork—					
May	10 25	10 32½	10 20	10 30	10 17
Lard					
May	5 17½	5 22	5.17	5 22	5 12½
Ribs					
May	5 07½	5 17	5 07½	5.17	5.07½

July wheat: Puts, 90¼. Calls, 91⅛. Curr, 90¾.

To-Day's Receipts—Car Lots.

Wheat—91, Estimated, 110; a year ago, 10
Corn—378, Estimated, 391, a year ago, 158
Oats—189, Estimated, 201, a year ago, 178.

Estimates for To-Morrow.

Wheat, 110; Corn, 850, Oats, 225

Hogs.

Hog receipts, 24,000. Estimated, 34,000.
Market strong.
Light $3.70@3.90 Mixed $3.70@4.05,
Heavy $3.80@4.05, Rough, $3.70@3.80
Estimated for to-morrow, 27 000.

Cattle.

Cattle receipts, 11,000. Market strong

Assumption is now lighted by electricity. The plant used is small but large enough for the present. The business men have, as a rule, responded liberally and many residences are being wired preparatory to using the new light. Assumption is one of the best towns in Christian county and has improved rapidly during the last few years. The chief industries of the place are coal mining and hay baling. This industry employes a number of men, and uses all the hay which is raised within a number of miles of the place.

A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs Ada E Hart, of Groton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in consumption. Four doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman. Trial bottles 10c, at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's drug stores.

COURT NEWS

Insurance Case on Trial This Afternoon.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT

Many Entries in Chancery Cases This Morning — Administrator Appointed for Estate of Mrs. Mary Froman.

From the Daily of Monday.

The circuit court convened this morning and held a short session when quite a number of motions in chancery were heard. This afternoon the special case of the Phoenix Insurance company vs Lucas Zepp came up for trial and the attorneys were trying to get a jury. Attorney W. B. Tyler appeared for the plaintiff and A. F Smith for the defendant. The entries on the dockets today were as follows:

CHANCERY CASES.

Savings Fund Building Association vs Rosalie A. Roson foreclosure Report of sale approved and stricken with leave and deficit $120.71 and execution.

Aurora National Loan Association vs Andrew J Lowery; foreclosure. Report of sale approved, deficit and execution for $47 50, stricken with leave.

In the following the report of sale was approved and the cases stricken with leave:

John R. King vs. Frank P. Roddy et al, foreclosure.

John R. King vs Fernando H. Wood et al; foreclosure.

Allie E Cass vs. Fred W. Wiltie et al; foreclosure.

Albert G. Barnes vs Charles E. Schroll et al; foreclosure.

Aurora National Loan Association vs Andrew J. Lowery et al, foreclosure.

Samuel B. Crissey vs. Truman S. Crissey et al; foreclosure.

James M. Leighton vs. John H. Culver et al; foreclosure.

Elizabeth Collins vs Thomas J. Fleming et al; foreclosure.

Huff Bros. Lumber Company vs Laura A. Wismer et al, foreclosure

Savings Fund Building Association vs. Emily J Cameron et al; foreclosure

The following cases were referred to the master for proof and conclusions

T H. Paine vs. Sadie S. Brewer et al, foreclosure.

David J Milligan vs. Charles E Schroll et al; foreclosure.

COMMON LAW CASES.

Charles J. Randolph vs C. H. Hopwood; assumpsit. Demurrer to declaration and demurrer overruled and defendant abides and judgment for plaintiff and damages assessed by court, etc, and defendant excepts

David M. Garver vs Hugh Crea; assumpsit. Leave to plaintiff to reply double.

Samuel R. Sufforn vs. Patrick W. Finn; assumpsit. Demurrer to declaration, demurrer sustained and leave to amend.

From the Daily of Tuesday.

In the circuit court today the case of James E. Osborne administrator vs. The Wabash Railroad company came up for trial. Mr Osborne is administrator for the estate of Reed, the man who was thrown from a train and killed near Boody and as such is suing the railroad for damages. Attorneys Hugh Crea and I A Buckingham appeared for the railroad and Attorneys David Hutchinson and C C Leforgee for the plaintiff. The case started this forenoon and the following jurymen were secured to hear the case: R. E Wiggins, James Coop, Daniel McDonald, W. H Bond, J. T Wells, C. F Wells Z. T. Blaine, D. M Good, John C. Burley, H. E Dickey, James Armstrong, C. E. Atterberry.

The case of the Phoenix Insurance company vs. Lucas Zepp went to the jury this morning. The case was one appealed from Justice Hardy's court. The insurance company sued for $22 claimed to be due on a note. Mr Zepp claimed that he could not read English and that he thought the note was for $18, when he signed it, and as a fraud was used he didn't want to pay anything. Attorney A. F. Smith appeared for the defense and Attorney W B. Tyler, Leforgee & Lee and David Hutchison for the plaintiff. The jury returned a verdict in favor of the defendant and gave judgment against the plaintiff for costs

The entries on the court dockets today were as follows:

COMMON LAW CASES

James E Osborne, administrator, vs The Wabash Railroad Company, trespass. Trial by jury

L. N. Cope vs. John T Finley et al, appellants, appeal. Judgment as per stipulation on file for $50 and costs and execution after 90 days.

Charles Shaffer vs George Millhorn et al, appellant, appeal. Continued by agreement.

Stephen D. Fitzhugh vs William C. Abel; case. Continued by agreement.

Charles C Randolph vs C. H. Hopwood; assumpsit. Nolle as to common counts.

The Phoenix Insurance Company, appellants, vs Lucas Zepp; appeal. Jury retired to consider a verdict. Verdict of jury for defendant. Judgment against plaintiff for costs.

John W. Somers vs G. W Prater; confession. Motion to vacate and leave to plead.

The shipments of corn from the various grain stations in Macon county have been heavy during the last two weeks. Dealers had large stocks of grain on hand and as prices advanced have unloaded the stocks in cribs and elevators. There is no trouble about cars and the railroads are able to honor all orders.

THE ANNUAL MARCH SALES

LINN AND SCRUGGS DRY GOODS & CARPET CO. WATER, MAIN & STATE STREETS.

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Begin this week. The near approach of Spring House-Cleaning time, together with the fact that our prices are always materially reduced makes these yearly efforts immensely popular. Wise women do the buying early—when stocks are full and assortments complete.

"Your Money's Worth or Your Money Back" is an understood agreement between us and our customers and the buying public are day by day becoming convinced that for worthy wares no house in Central Illinois maintains a lower scale of prices.

LACE CURTAINS And other kinds too.

This Spring News from the Curtain and Upholstery Section will prove very interesting reading to economical housekeepers. With every passing season there comes a demand for new beauties—materials and patterns for attaining new effects. So, with every year, larger and more varied stocks of Curtains and Upholsteries are required. There is a growing tendency among women to select such goods early in the season and we'll expect you in on a tour of inspection even if you haven't the slightest intention of buying.

We've Rope Portieres in a bewildering assortment of pretty patterns—from $1.50 to four or five times as much; Tapestry Curtains—a larger and more varied line than any other shop in town—from $1.98 to $12.50 and Chenile Curtains—in a host of new colorings—from $1.88 to a Ten Dollar Bill.

We can fit your windows with new Spring Shades complete with a serviceable roller at several small prices between a Dime and a Half-Dollar; and will make shades to order of any size or color on short notice at exceptionally low figures.

Silkolines and Tinsel Cloths for Fancy Work and Upholstery are having their inning now and we've some beauties that can't be justly described in type—at 10c, 12½c, and 15c yd.

THREE SPECIALS FOR THIS WEEK.

40 pair of Nottingham Lace Curtains—3½ yards long and 60 inches wide—can't be found at any other store under $2.00—at—**$1.63 a pair.**

24 pair of Irish Point Lace Curtains—3½ yards long and 60 inches wide never offered under $2.75—at—**$1.98 a pair.**

30 pair of Ruffled Muslin Curtains—3½ yards long and 50 inches wide—a half dozen pretty figured patterns—absolutely worth $1.50—at—**98c a pair.**

BEDDING

If you're not accustomed to buying your Spring and Summer Bedding in March it would be a mighty good habit to form. This sale is a yearly recurring event at The Big Store and those of you who have patronized us in previous years will be apt to be on hand again this time. Please note the extreme lowness of the prices.

Fine Hemstitched Bleached Sheets—81x90 inches—at— **39c each.**

Lockwood Sheets—unbleached—81x90 inches—ready to use—at— **29c each.**

Pillow Cases—45x36 or 42x36 inches—ready to use—at **5c each.**

Fine Pillow cases—deep hem—best Satine—regularly sell at 12½c—at— **9c each.**

Extra large Bed Spreads—Marseilles patterns—the $1.25 sort—at— **$1.00 each.**

Turkish Mattress Protectors—the newest and best protector made—54x72 inches—at— **$1.98 each.**

Silkoline Comforts—Spring weight—made from very finest materials—at— **$1.75 each.**

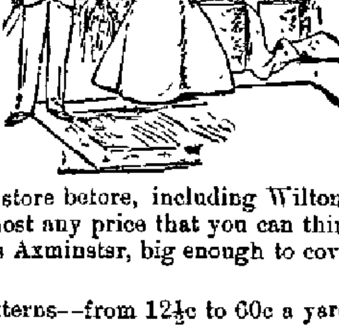
Down Comforts—light weight—finest French Satine—at— **$3.50 each.**

Combination Pillows—best ticking—soft and fluffy—compares with any $1.25 pillow—at— **75c each.**

All Feather Pillows—best Fancy Ticking—clean feathers—at $1.40, $1.25 and **$1.00 each.**

Pillows made to order—any size. Select your own ticking. Our live geese feathers are equal to any ever offered at 75c lb. For our annual March Sale— **50c lb.**

CARPETS



It's time to buy Spring Carpets—any way it's time look and there's only one satisfactory place in all Decatur to do the looking or buying. We've 3600 square feet of space on the second floor given over entirely to the showing and selling of the handsomest assortment of new Spring Floor Coverings ever brought to Decatur. We've about every good sort of Carpets that we know of, embracing Axminsters, Moquettes, Body Brussels, Tapestries, Lowell Extra Supers, Anglos, Agras, Three-Plys, Unions, Hemps and Rags—and there might be some other varieties that we've not thought of.

We've more Rugs than were ever brought together in a Decatur store before, including Wiltons, Axminsters, Danstus, Moquettes, Brussels, and La Paris—most any price that you can think of, from a Smyrna Door Rug at 33c to an Imported Seamless Axminster, big enough to cover a room at a Half Hundred Dollars.

Japan and China Mattings—in an endless variety of weaves and patterns—from 12½c to 60c a yard.

The Best Carpet Sweeper on Earth—fully guaranteed at—**$1.98.**

If you can't come write to our Mail Order Department. We guarantee satisfaction.

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OUR NEIGHBORS.

ASSUMPTION.

Mrs W. T. Wallace and Mrs. H. Cushing were shopping in Decatur yesterday.

John Ayres of Decatur is visiting friends here.

Arthur Goodall of Smithsboro, Ills., returned home last night after a brief visit with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Denton of Millersville attended the funeral of Mrs. Lemars here yesterday.

DALTON CITY.

Rev. J. O'Rourke was in Decatur Monday.

Mike Nolan will soon leave for Iowa to reside in the future.

Mrs. B. Masterson of Decatur is meeting friends here.

A. H. Miller of Sullivan wss busy 'lectioneering in our village Tuesday.

S. A. Duggan transacted business in Sullivan on Tuesday.

The following persons were nominated at the Republican convention held here on last Saturday. H. Snyder, supervisor; J. Peck, clerk, and David Doner, assessor.

I. C. Evans of Prairie Home was on our streets Tuesday.

Our city was again visited by a small fire in the Hight, McCoy & Co. elevator Monday. Only a small amount of damage was done.

If the fine weather remains the farmers will soon put in their crop of oats.

MT. ZION.

Uncle John Scott is on the sick list.

Mrs Fred Britton of Hervey City visited with home folks last week.

Frank Harbert finished moving his household goods Monday to Prairie Home.

Jon Lilly and family have moved to Sullivan.

No more street entertainments go.

Oscar Bilby went to Clinton Saturday on business.

Miss Sallie of Lake City visited with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Champion over Sunday.

Mrs Bater Davis entertained a company from Decatur Sunday.

Bud Madox of St. Louis was here calling on friends Monday.

Misses Alice Roberts, Minnie Reed, Mary Sleeper and Mary Sullivan were shopping in Decatur Monday.

Wilbert Map returned to Peoria Monday after a visit with home folks.

W. S. Smith and William Coombe will have a combination sale here Thursday the 17th.

FORSYTH.

W. F. Hoover and wife of Macon visited with relatives over Sunday.

Born To Mr. and Mrs. John Sigust, on March 2, a 10 pound boy.

Uncle Billy Segust of Decatur visited his grandson Sunday.

Ed. Gonterman has moved to his place east of town.

Mr. Bates of Oreana has moved into the Luckenbill property and will conduct a butcher shop and wagon shop during the summer.

Miss Keefer of Warrensburg visited with Mr Sawyers over Sunday.

School will close the sixteenth and D. L. Parkhurst, the teacher, will engage in building the Cyclone Woven Wire Fence. This is the fence farmers have been looking for. Write him for particulars.

The protracted meetings promised us last week seem to have been a failure for unknown reasons.

James Ingold has returned to this community.

Chas. Drury will conduct a restaurant and ice cream parlor in the McMillan property next Summer.

CASNER.

Don't fail to be at the concert Saturday night at Odd Fellows' hall.

Wm Lee has returned from his home in southern Illinois to work for M. W. Patterson.

Mrs. Clayborne Jones was prostrated by a paralytic stroke one day last week. She will probably not recover.

Will Erbar will work for Will Underwood this season. He arrived from his home Friday.

Mrs. Daniel Davidson of near Lake City spent Sunday at the home of John Casner.

There was a lecture at the church Sunday afternoon by a lady, a returned missionary, on India. Her lecture was instructing and interesting. A good sized crowd was in attendance.

The woman found almost frozen a few days ago in a haystack was taken to Decatur Saturday afternoon by John Dutty and John Hirsch.

A number of families have been moving during the last week. Henry Smith moved to Iowa this week. He went to Story county.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Alva Davis and Miss Maud Carman on Wednesday evening, March 16.

The Ladies' Aid Society have decided to have a fair and festival the first week in April. All will be called on to prepare something for the fair. It will be held at the home of John Wilson. The exact date will be announced later.

The Casner Cornet Band will give a grand entertainment at Odd Fellows' Hall on Saturday evening, March 12. It will consist of music by the band, vocal choruses and solos, and a barrel of fun by two Alabama coons. You should not fail to see the great Dr. Uno in his wonderful dentistical and decapitating act, and Professor Bam Bones in his tambourine specialty.

A J Chapman held a public sale on Tuesday, selling off his stock of farming implements. He has rented his farm to his son in law, Curt White, and will not have the care of the farm, as Mr. W. is getting feeble. George Soland of Boody was the auctioneer.

BETHANY.

Sam Cornez of Windsor spent Sunday with his parents. Sam has a position with Tom Thomason in a restaurant there.

Mr. Hickman of Oakley has his son here taking the Osteopathy treatment for a fractured limb.

Mrs. John Howell of Arcola is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sables.

Will Gushery of Spokane, Wash., is shaking hands with his many friends here this week. Will has been attending to some legal business in Chicago.

Mr. Sherman Wright of Decatur stopped Saturday and over night here. One of our nicest girls is the attraction.

Sheriff Lansden and wife spent Sunday in our city.

Nelk Powell returned from Newton Saturday where he has been attending to some business and visiting relatives and friends.

Our republican township convention was held at the opera house last Saturday evening. A good strong ticket was placed in the field.

Judge Hundson, Judge Meeker and Bush Ham were electioneering their democratic friends here Monday.

Died of pneumonia Sunday evening, the 2-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Mead. The funeral was preached Monday at the home after which the remains were sent to Ong, Nebraska, for burial.

Bill Fruit left Tuesday for Seattle. He will probably make the Klondike before he returns to us.

The strength of our country should it come to war is hard to estimate. Both any has severely thrashed Spain the past week and is shying her caster for other worlds.

Bill Hardin has left us for Eldorado, Kans. Bill has secured employment there as engineer in the railroad yards.

The boys had some sport the other night by holding Billy Landen under the town pump and pumping cold water down his spinal vertebra. They called this playing even for a joke Billy perpetrated upon them "down to the raffle last winter" Billy is an all around jolly fellow, nevertheless and knows how to take a joke as well as give one.

OUTTEN.

Merry spring time.

Mr and Mrs. Fred Britlaw and Miss Mabel Birtlaw were Decatur visitors Monday.

Robert Grindol and family from Lovington moved to this community last week.

Mrs. Trunnels of Lovington visited her daughter, Mrs. Grindol, last Saturday.

Miss Jess Patterson visited Lovington over Sunday.

Mrs. Sullivan of Mt. Zion is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Hughes, this week.

J. F. Patton has returned after an extended visit with friends and relatives near Terre Haute.

Mrs. F. M. Hall was shopping in Decatur last Saturday.

Mr and Mrs. J. E. Farrell and children out to Decatur Tuesday.

MACON.

Mrs. Jacob Peter of Bowling Green, Missouri, is visiting relatives and friends in this city.

Wm. Snydor of Moweaqua was the guest of friends in this city Sunday.

Miss Mary McNicholas of Lovington spent a few days last week with Jerome Davis and wife.

Mrs. Wm. Herbert is visiting relatives in Decatur this week.

Mrs. J. F VanGundy and son spent a few days the first of the week in Assumption the guests of Elijah Walker and wife.

Mr. A. R. Barker and son spent Sunday in Forsythe.

F. E Wilson and wife spent Sunday in Harristown.

Miss Jennie Richmond of Decatur spent Saturday with S. M. Washburn and wife.

Dora Patterson has the measles.

Miss Ida Rahler of Moweaqua spent a few days last week, with Henry Gostes and wife.

Rev. Penhallegon and wife of Decatur, and also Rev. McKay and wife of Assumption spent Tuesday with Rev. John Roberts and wife.

Mrs. Lloyd of Burlington, Ia., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Wm. Whittaker and family.

Mrs. D. A. Doggott spent Tuesday in Peoria.

Miss Eugene Harris of Decatur spent a few days last week in this city.

Otis Daniels and wife of Blue Mound spent Sunday with her parents, Charles Jones and wife.

Michael Scott is visiting relatives in Illiopolis this week.

Mr and Mrs. Frank Hoover entertained the members of The Unexpected club at their home one mile south of town Friday evening. A large number were present who report a pleasant time. Refreshments were served at a late hour. The evening was spent in playing games.

The members of the Epworth League held their monthly social at the home of Fred Justos. A large number were present.

Miss Fannie Morris is visiting relatives in Pana this week.

Misses Emma and Mary Ellerich who spent the winter at school returned home Tuesday

MAROA.

Miss Lottie Crowell returned Saturday from a visit with relatives at Hoyorth

Roy Moyer was the guest of Raymond Hoff in Decatur from Friday to Monday.

F. M. Smith has accepted a position with the Piano Manufacturing company and will begin work next week.

DeLome was hanged in effigy on a telegraph pole near the Illinois Central freight house Wednesday evening.

Mrs. R. T. Hardin visited Clinton friends Thursday.

Miss Spooner's music class gave a recital at the home of D N. Gray and wife on Thursday evening.

Mrs S. M. Adams and Mrs. Charles Gaskill of Moweaqua were guests of Frank Stroud and family Wednesday.

Mrs. Costello returned to her home at Argenta Tuesday after a visit with Thomas Costello and wife.

Mrs. Samuel Kepler visited her daughter, Mrs. C W Wykoff, in Decatur Tuesday and Wednesday.

At the business meeting of the Christian Endeavor society of the Presbyterian church on Wednesday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing six months.

President—J. H. Sterling.
Vice President—Stella Bean.
Secretary—Arry M. Smith.
Treasurer—Nellie Ray.
Organist—Lora Gantt.
Laverman—Albert Bartlett.

Miss Etta Nelson is the guest of Miss Kate Butler at Decatur

Miss Sadie Davis of Chicago, who will trim for Miss Mollie Schultz this season, will arrive next week.

Mrs. Pratt Nelson visited Clinton friends Monday.

A private dance was given at the Schenk hall on Friday evening. Fourteen couples were in attendance and report a pleasant time.

John Kempshe spent Sunday with his daughter, Mrs. Agness Kirchoff at Farmer City.

Mrs. George Graeff entertained her Sunday school class at a mask party Tuesday evening.

Mrs. W. B. Stoutenborough sustained a painful injury in a runaway on Saturday.

SANGAMON.

Roads are in bad condition for those who are obliged to move.

The sale at Austin Dunham's Friday was well attended and everything sold well

Frank Wiesner, who went east last month to visit his relatives in Maryland, has returned and is shaking hands with his many frieds, who are always glad to see him.

David Wheeler moved to the William Sheets farm last Friday and C. G. Wheeler has moved into the house vacated by David.

Rev. Ritchie held his reguar services at Sangamon Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Emma Braman left Friday for Shelbyville, where she will visit for a short time with relatives before joining her husband in St. Louis.

Milton Lutes shelled corn for Mr. Baine Saturday.

There has been a stranger in our neighborhood since last week measuring trees and fence posts. He claims to be tracing a vein of oil. His lodestone consists of a glass bottle and several yards of twine filled with knots.

J. W. Walker has struck a vein of gas on his farm, while boring for water.

The members of the church of God held their ordinance meeting at W. R. Ruckers on Saturday evening.

The time for the annual appearance of the office seeker has arrived, and candidates, with aspirations, are bobbing up in all directions.

School reopens today after a vacation of two weeks.

Rob Leathers left last week for Kansas, where his parents reside.

The boys at Sangamon enjoyed an egg roast Saturday evening.

The little son of James K. Wheeler, who has been ill for the past three months is able to get about on his crutches once more.

Friday evening, February 11, is the date set by the Democrats for their primary. It will be held at the school house in Oakley. Boys don't forget the date.

NIANTIC.

Central examination took place here, Wednesday, March 2. Thirty-two High school and 12 grammar pupils were present. Myrtle Boone, Noah Jacobson and Lloyd Gandle of Niantic ranked first in the ten year work, Nina Waddell of Burkey school, also rank first.

Jeannie Coughlan ranked second in ten year work. Bertha Roberts ranked first and John Nottelmann second in eight year work. All three are Niantic pupils. This was the largest central examination ever held in Macon county.

Joseph Havener, who has been helpless since Thanksgiving on account of rheumatism, desires to thank his neighbors and all the other kind friends who aided him He says God will surely bless them for their goodness. Niantic is not composed entirely of angels, but in sickness or death no town can excel it in sympathy.

SOCIABLE.

A delightful sociable was enjoyed Saturday, March 5, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs J. W. Jones. The occasion was in honor of the birthday of their daughter, Minnie. An excellent musical program was carried out. The orchestra composed of William Robert, Eddie and Virgil Jones, with Miss Minnie Jones at the piano played a number of beautiful selections. Among the songs were "Whistling King," Robert and Minnie Jones: "Take Back Your Gold," Mrs. Wm. Pritchett and daughter, Lena, with Mrs. Nettie Jones at the piano; "I Wish He Was Home Tonight," Mrs. Nettie Jones, piano, Wm. Jones, cornet, Virgil Jones, violin, "My Gal is a High Born Lady," Mrs. Pritchett and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jones and son, piano, cornet and violin Mr. Bert Faris rendered several beautiful piano selections. The Rebekah Sisters presented Miss Jones a handsome dress in honor of her birthday. Delicious refreshments were served. Among those present were Mrs. Charles Jones of Decatur and Miss Julia Whitesides of Illiopolis. There is nowhere a family possessing more natural musical talent than the Jones family and an evening spent with them is sure to be an enjoyable one.

Rev. Pierce of Sumner, Ill., father of the sick pastor, is preaching at the M. E. church this week.

Uncle Jesse Lockhart is again suffering greatly from dropsy

Rev. Pierce, who has been very ill, is improving.

Cards are out announcing the wedding on March 16 of Ed Ferguson and Miss Ida Kapp. The ceremony will be performed at 6 p.m. in the Christian church

DIED IN ST. LOUIS.

Brother-in-Law of Dr. J. S. King of This City.

From the Daily of Wednesday.

Dr. J. Stebbins King received a telegram this morning announcing the death of his brother-in-law, D. M. Sims, at the Rebekah hospital at St. Louis on Tuesday morning. Mr. Sims died from the effects of an assault which was made on him by an employe of a coal yard of which Mr. Sims was in charge. The assault was committed on the evening of February 2 and he was taken to the hospital and everything possible done to save his life The skull was badly fractured and he was not conscious after being removed to the hospital. His wife was the sister of Dr. King and died a number of years ago. His daughter, Miss Lucile Sims, at one time resided with Dr. and Mrs. King, and attended the high school here. She has a large number of friends in the city. The funeral of Mr. Sims will be held at Leroy, Ill., on Thursday and he will be buried at the Leroy cemetery.

Stricken.

Mrs. Martha Brown, aged 70 years, was stricken by paralysis this morning while at her home on Marrietta street. Her entire right side was affected Dr. Drew was called to give her attention.

To Wed in Iowa.

From the Daily of Wednesday.

Mrs. George Towne and daughter left this afternoon for Webster City, Ia., to be present at the marriage of Mrs. Towne's nephew, Robert McGuire, and Miss Gertrude Tewsley of Webster City. The marriage will occur at the home of the parents of the bride on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mr. McGuire is known in Decatur having visited with his aunt here on several occasions.

After using a 10 cent trial size of Ely's Cream Balm you will be sure to buy the 50 cent size. Cream Balm has no equal in curing catarrh and cold in head. Ask your druggist for it or send 10 cents to us.

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Richard Butler, formerly editor of the Clinton Public, has been sworn in as deputy United States consul at Hamilton, Ontario.

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Investigation shows that men who succeed are men of brains—strong nerves—great will power. Ordinary food cannot supply the vital forces which people with active brains and bodies require. Bicola Pills feed the nerves—make the mind bright, muscles strong—make flesh and blood and give perfect health to *Men and Women*. THE TURNERS OF PHILADELPHIA make **Bicola Pills.**

J. E. Buckey, Chief Clerk National Hotel, Washington, D. C., testifies that he was all run down—was a shadow of his former self—Bicola Pills gave him wonderful relief—he gained over twenty pounds after using them.

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Turner's Little Liver Turners—A very small pill. Turn your liver. Cure Sick Headache—Biliousness—Indigestion.

PAST THE CENTURY MARK

Mrs. Hetty Gardner, 104 Years Old, in Need of Immediate Aid.

Mrs. Hetty Gardner, who by virtue of years, headed the list of octogenarians published a few months ago in the Republican, is in a destitute condition and greatly in need of the assistance of charitably inclined people. Mrs. Gardner lives with her son, Lee Brown, at 1109 North Railroad avenue. If Mrs. Gardner lives to reach her next birthday on the 25th of September, '98, she will be 104 years old She resided with another son in Iowa for a number of years but a year ago the son with whom she now resides went to Iowa and brought her home with him, traveling the entire distance in a wagon. When the Republican reporter called at her home last fall she was found apparently well, but lacking most of the comforts of life. Her son is a teamster, but is out of employment and the family are suffering for food and clothing. M. D. Spar of the Grace M. E. church has been interested in the case and in connection with several other members of the church has done much to make her more comfortable, but as the family is a large one, assistance is greatly needed in caring for them.

MARCH OF MURDER.

Armed Bands of Outlaws in the Orient Commit Awful Crimes,

Vancouver. B. C., March 9.—Advices from the Orient state that anarchy prevails in the Island of Hainan. Bands of outlaws to the number of 6000 men raided eleven military camps and twenty-eight villages, murdering and looting It is impossible to describe the triumphant march of murder and lust through the peaceful pastoral towns surrounding the city of Kio Chow. After a week of slaughter the anarchists thought of safety, erected a barricade in the mountains and stored up enough provisions to last a year. A force of military is being mobilized for the purpose of clearing them out.

TAKE NOTICE.

Republican Township Central Committee Meeting Friday Night.

All the Republican precinct chairmen of Decatur township are hereby requested to meet at the office of 'Squire Hardy on Friday evening, March 11, 1898, at 7.30 p. m., for the purpose of arranging for the township primaries and such other business as may come before the committee.

D. A. MAFFIT, Chairman.
W. H ANDREWS, Sec'y.

Long Creek Republicans.

The republican voters of Long Creek township will meet in convention at the town hall on Saturday, March 19, at 2 p. m. for the purpose of nominating a ticket for town officers.

W. T. Patterson, chairman.

New Elevators.

A new elevator has just been finished for Ritchie & Faith at Roberts station north of Warrensburg It has a capacity of 40,000 bushels.

Henry Munson will begin work soon on the erection of an elevator at Wykles switch west of the city It will have a 5000 bushel capacity.

Republican Township Convention.

The Republicans of Friends Creek township will meet in convention Saturday, March 19, at 8 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of nominating candidates for the township offices. E. H. Thomas, Chairman; F. R. Querry, Secretary.—2 d&w

At La Place.

Willard Memorial service at Asbury Sunday morning, March 13th. Quarterly meeting services at La Place Friday night, the 18th inst., Saturday 19th, at 2 and 7 p. m., and Sunday, 20th, morning and night. All welcome.

C. P. HARD.

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The Best Salve in the world for Cuts Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box For sale by J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

Married.

In Decatur on March, Charles F. Johnson and Miss Cora Clark, both of Blue Mound, by Justice L. H. Ross, who accompanied the couple to the city.

Mrs. Clayborn Jones, living near Hervey was stricken with paralysis last week and is lying in a semi unconscious condition.

Farmers, don't fail to call at Spencer & Lehman's and see the New Deere Gang Plow. It beats them all. It is stronger, better and more convenient.
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Even intellectual women have an idea that a thermometer helps to keep a room warm.

Fred Ringeisen of Gilman, has just got an appointment as a postal clerk between Toledo and St. Louis.

SPECIAL SALE of

...LACES...

Monday, March 7, Commences our Annual Sale of White Wash Laces.

14,400 Yards in the Lot!

They consist of Linen Torchons, Maltese Cluny, Seville Laces, Medici, Antique Valenciennes, Point de Paris, Honiton and all sorts of Underwear Laces.

Most of these Laces are in Match Sets. Several widths of Lace and Inserting to match. We select only a few for quotation:

Linen Laces 1-2 inch wide at 1c yard.
Linen Laces 3-4 inch wide at 2c yard.
Linen Laces 1 inch wide at 2 1-2c yard.
Linen Laces 2 inches wide at 4c yard.
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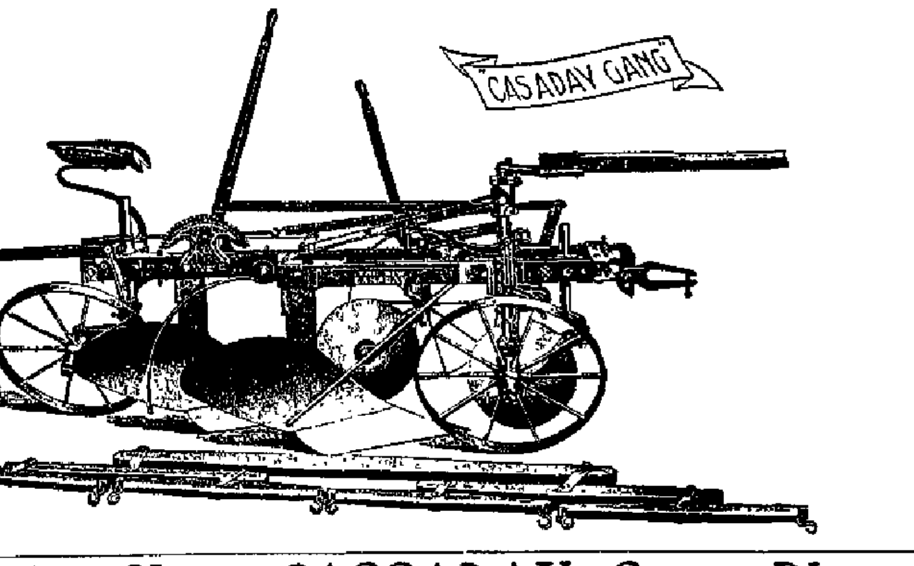

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The Sure La Grippe Cure.

There is no use suffering from this dreadful malady, if you will only get the right remedy. You are having pain all through your body, your liver is out of order, have no appetite, no life or ambition, have a bad cold, in fact are completely used up. Electric Bitters is the only remedy that will give you prompt and sure relief. They act directly on your Liver, Stomach and Kidneys, tone up the whole system and make you feel like a new being. They are guaranteed to cure or price refunded. For sale at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's drug stores.

The mud blockade in the country beats the record of preceding years, and the old inhabitants declare that they remember nothing like it.

The Daily Republican now circulates in every town within reach of Decatur and its outside lists are rapidly growing. A word to the shrewd advertiser is sufficient.

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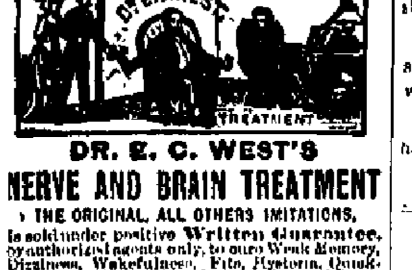

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PITH AND POINT.

—Teaching Johnnie Manners.—"Johnnie, will you have some soup?" "No." "No what?" "No soup."—Scribner's.

—Handicapped.—"Who is your favorite author?" "Pardon me, sir, but I am an author myself." — Cleveland Plain Dealer.

—She (after the quarrel)—"And must we part forever, Harry?" He—"Well, at least until to-morrow night, Maud." —Tit-Bits.

—Beaten, for Once.—Druggist—"See here! Why didn't you tell the customes that we had something just as good?" New Clerk—"Because he was after some postage stamps."—Puck.

—Not a Confession.—"Did he confess his love?" "I don't think so. From what I know of the affair, I am inclined to believe that she drew it out of him by cross-examination."—Chicago Evening Post.

—Lost.—"Have you followed my argument so far?" inquired the verbose gentleman. "Yes," replied his impatient friend. "But I tell you candidly, I'd quit its company right here if I thought I could find my way back."—Washington Star.

—Passenger (at depot)—"Can I take a train from here to St. Louis?" Gateman—"You'll have to see the superintendent of the company about that." Passenger—"Why, what has he got to do with my takin a train?" Gateman—"He employs all the engineers."—Chicago News.

—Not His Experience. — "Troubled with sleeplessness, are you?" said the passenger with the skull-cap. "Try celery. Anybody who makes a free use of celery will sleep like a top." "That isn't my experience," replied the passenger with the patch over his eye. "I raised celery one season, and I had to get up every morning at four o'clock to take it to market."—Chicago Tribune.

Life is a catastrophe, sooner or later, to all but love

Rev. Mr. Pierce is reported dangerously ill at Stanti, where he has been engaged in conducting a series of revival meetings at the Methodist church.

Hat pins set with mock jewels are worn in great numbers, as many as five and six pins being employed on one hat.

Isretgert will boss the job of making sausage at the Joliet penitentiary. He will be taken down next week.

George Gallen and family of Delavan, have moved to Paxton.

The white weather is the devil s plume.

A Peerless Liniment.

As a pain destroyer and cure for rheumatism, Salvation Oil is the peer of all liniments. Mr. Wm. H. Brown, proprietor of Striebinger House, Cleveland, O., writes: "I suffered from rheumatism for twelve years and my last attack kept me in bed, unable to walk. I used Salvation Oil and soon was up and about. As a pain destroyer this liniment has no equal." Salvation Oil is sold everywhere for 25 cents. Try it and be convinced.

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Louis Kater, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Louis H. Kater, late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned. Dated this 14th day of February, 1898.

GEO. S. CONNARD, Administrator.

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Macon County Teachers' Examinations, 1896-7.

1. First Saturday in February.
2. First Saturday in April.
3. Fist Saturday in June.
4. At close of Teachers' Institute.
5. First Saturday of November.

Examinations will begin promptly at 9 a. m. Office day, Saturday.

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TRADE ACTIVITY

Business Better Than Ever in All Lines.

EVERYTHING IS PICKING UP

Volume of Business Unequalled—Big Dealings with Good Prices for All Commodities—General Encouragement.

New York, March 5.—Bradstreet's say that nearly all signs point to an unprecedented volume of business being done or arranged for at the present time.

The aggressive strength of prices, record-breaking bank clearings, continued large exports, particularly of the lower priced cereals, a very heavy volume of business in iron and steel and kindred lines and generally satisfactory reports as to the volume of spring trade at leading distributive centers are, it is stated, among the visible features of this trade development.

Continuing, Bradstreet's says:

"Nearly all of the country cereal products are higher in prices this week, as are also some varieties of provisions, Bessemer pig ion, copper, raw cotton and tin. The further advance in pig iron this week would seem to indicate that the immense current production is as yet without visible effect on values. The price of copper showed an advance of nearly 1c per pound during February., while the consumptive demand and statistical position are such as to lead to confidence, at least in the maintenance of present prices if not of a further advance.

HEAVY WHEAT EXPORTS

"Wheat has grown stronger, exports continuing at a rate which threatens exhaustion of supply, if trade reports of farmers' stocks are correct. From Atlantic ports 2,126,950 bushels went out, flour included, against 1,368,416 last year, and from Pacific ports 864,993 bushels, against 179,695 last year. The price has risen 1 cent, but it is possible that the estimates of last year's stocks, though 5,000,000 bushels in excess of the government estimates, may prove too small. Corn has declined only ¼ cent, with exports of 4,734,843 bushels, against 5,291,780 last year.

"Failures for the week have been 251 in the United States, against 316 last year, and 39 in Canada, against 59 last year."

AS VIEWED BY DUN.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

"Stories of the most reckless sort, disproved promptly, and many of them before they are told, affected speculation in stocks much last week and at times this week, but they have not disturbed the industries and the trade of the country at all. There is confidence that the authorities are doing what is proper to provide for public defense, and business is moving on with the assurance that it will not be seriously disturbed.

"In grain, cotton, meat products and petroleum the markets have been strong, with gradual increases in the demand for manufactured products.

"Failures in February have been smaller than in any other month, except three of the previous five months, with a remarkable decrease in the failures for $100,000 and over, though in number and amount the smaller failures show less change than might have been expected, indicating that in good times or bad a large proportion is due to causes apart from the general condition of business. The ratio of defaulted liabilities to payments through the clearing houses is but $1.71 per $1000, a lower rate than has appeared in the first quarter of any year, except in 1880 and 1881, of the past twenty three years.

"The best evidence of general improvement is the fact that payments through clearing houses for the last week have been 28 per cent larger than in 1892, and, outside New York, with its speculative interests, 17.6 per cent. Compare with last year the gain has been 56.2 per cent for the week and 49.8 per cent for February."

PROGRESS OF THE DIVERS.

Making Headway in Exploring the Compartments of the Maine.

Havana, March 5.—The American divers, having examined more or less thoroughly the wardroom of the Maine and the senior and junior officers' messrooms, are trying to effect an entrance to the petty officers' compartment in the hope of finding some bodies there. However, each day the belief grows stronger that few, if any, more bodies will be recovered.

Captain Sharp, who is in charge of the Merritt & Chapman wrecking outfit, appreciate the difficulties of the situation better than others. He will not specify any time when the big guns will be released. It is necessary to first remove the tops of the turrets. These are held in place by steel bolts, which must be cut loose. The best informed people here think a month will elapse before the turrets are opened. In the meantime, work on the minor details of the wreck will proceed with all possible speed.

The discipline on board the Spanish cruiser Vizcaya is very high, which naturally gratifies the Spaniards.

Senator Proctor, General Fitzhugh Lee, Captain Sigsbee, and many other prominent Americans attended the ceremony of decorating the graves of the Maine's dead.

A hurricane which swept over the port of Batabano, on the south coast of Cuba, opposite Havana, has done great damage. It destroyed a hut in which were quartered a number of soldiers belonging to the Castilian battalion, killing two of the men and wounding 23 others. Thousands of trees were swept away, and the ships in the harbor were obliged to put hurriedly to sea in order to avoid being wrecked.

A number of beautiful wreaths and floral pieces were sent to the Colon cemetery by the Americans of this city to decorate the graves of the victims of the Maine disaster. The scheme will be continued and the flowers will be renewed when withered.

Cable dispatches from Madrid published here say that Senor Moret, the minister for the colonies, confirms the statements of General Parrado that the government never thought of dismissing the volunteers.

The cable dispatches also deny the reports that the flotilla of Spanish torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers is to come to Cuba.

Spain's Action.

London, March 5.—Further inquiry confirms the report cabled yesterday of the sale of two cruisers the Armstrongs have been building for Brazil to Spain. Inquiries further show that representatives of Chili have been negotiating with a representative of Spain for the sale of the splendid warship O'Higgins, and it is believed that a deal has been practically completed. It is known that Chili recently made a definite proposition, but the price was considered too high.

The ships Spain secured in France are two heavily armored coast defense vessels, ordered by Brazil for service on the river Platte. The statement made in Washington that the Amazonas, one of the vessels that Spain bought of Brazil, has already left this country for Brazil is incorrect. She is still at the Armstrong works.

Pacific Coast Defense.

San Francisco, Cal., March 5.—Increased supplies of ammunition for the high power guns at Presidio and Lime Point will be conveyed there today from the Benicia arsenal. It is military opinion that the defenses of the harbor are strong enough and will successfully resist any fleet that Spain could send to the Pacific.

Signing Seamen.

Vallejo, Cal., March 5.—Admiral Kirkland has received orders to instruct the captain of the receiving ship Independence to sign all able bodied seamen he can pass.

Plenty of Money.

Madrid, March 5.—The Spanish floating debt was increased over 13,000,000 pesetas during February.

Owners of the Underwriter.

Boston, March 5.—The owners of the ocean tug Underwriter, bound for Havana with the big derrick Chief, to work on the Maine, do not credit the report from Norfolk, Va., that the craft was lost in the storm off Cape Hatteras. It is said that at the time of the storm the Underwriter should have been a considerable distance south of the cape and that she is capable of weathering far worse storms.

No Tidings.

Savannah, Ga., March 5.—Two schooners, one a steamship, arrived today. They report that they saw and heard nothing of the tug Underwriter, reported lost last night.

Second Spanish Cruiser at Havana.

Havana, March 5.—The cruiser Almirante Oquendo, arrived this morning from Spain. It was received will hearty welcome from the military and civic authorities. The docks were crowded by sightseers and rockets sent up. Flags were displayed from the vessels in port and the public buildings.

On the Way.

Charleston, S. C., March 5.—Senators Money, Gallinger, Thurston and Representatives Smith of Michigan, Cummings of New York arrived this morning en route to Cuba to make a personal investigation on the islands.

Relief for Suffering Cubans.

New York, March 5.—The steamer Nueces sailed today for Key West with 75 tons of relief supplies for Cuba. At Key West the supplies will be transferred to the warships Nashville and Montgomery. A telegram from the Oregon relief committee says the first section of a Cuban relief train, carrying 180,000 pounds of food, left there yesterday for New York.

To Consumptives

As an honest remedy Foley's Honey and Tar does not hold out false hopes in advanced stages, but truthfully claims to give comfort and relief to the very worst cases, and in the early stages to effect a cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Allen Trone of Delavan has let the contract for a $2800 residence, to be built on the lot he recently purchased of Dr. Fookler.

We are anxious to do a little good in this world and can think of no pleasanter or better way to do it than by recommending One Minute Cough Cure as a preventive of pneumonia, consumption and other serious lung troubles that follow neglected colds. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Scripture is written, apparently, in invisible ink.

Henry Murray has moved from Gibson City to his new farm home, five miles west of that place.

CITY TEACHERS

Met to Hear an Address by Prof. Collins.

GIVEN AT THE HIGH SCHOOL.

"Observations of My Own Experiences" Was the Subject of His Speech — Central Examinations.

From the Daily of Saturday.

The teachers of the city schools held a meeting this morning at the High school to hear an address by Prof. J. H. Collins, superintendent of the Springfield public schools. There was a good attendance of teachers, and the address given was both interesting and instructive.

Prof. Collins was introduced by Superintendent Gastman as a man who kept his feet on the earth and would talk about earthly things. The subject of Mr. Collins' address as "Observations of My Own Experience." He began by telling the teachers to stand up for their own school and the very best that it is their power to do, and then make others think the same thing, reputation being a good thing for the schools. He told the story of one of the teachers in the Springfield school who when she was first engaged was very unpopular but who after a few weeks' time gained the admiration of all the pupils by her modest ways. He said it was a good lesson for all teachers. The speaker said that the teachers should not worry about the decipline of the school as things would happen that could not be controlled and their worrying could not help them. He referred to the tone of voice that should be used by the teachers and said that it was one of the best means of the power of government. The teachers should talk in a low tone. Attention in recitations was also spoken of as an important point. When one child is reading the others should be following the same thing and the pupils should be taught to always give their attention to anything which was going on. Mr. Collins said that he believed in the memorizing of facts and thought that it had been of great benefit to him and gave instances of how it had been useful to him.

Prof. Collins is the state leader of the National Educational association. He urged the teachers to attend the convention of the association which is to be held at Washington, July 7 to 13 There will probably be a large number from this city and county who will attend.

Superintendent E. A. Gastman will on March 19 make an address on the educational meeting which he recently attended at Chattanooga, Tenn. The teachers this forenoon by a vote asked Mr. Gastman to address them at the next meeting instead of having some out of town man.

To Begin Next Thursday.

The first number of the lecture course on missionary extension work to be given under the auspices of the Macon County C. E. Union will be delivered at the First Presbyterian church on next Thursday evening by the Rev. Frost Craft of the First M. E church. There will be a register placed at each entrance to the church and as the different societies of the county enter they will be required to register the number of active members belonging to their society. The one showing the largest per cent of active members will be presented with the C E banner.

Primary Teachers' Association.

The Primary Sunday School Teachers association met at room 1 of the First M. E. church yesterday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock. Mrs. Sue Oder was formally elected president, Mrs. Milton Johnson vice president and Miss Lillie Chadsey treasurer. The committee on resolutions presented the resolutions which were adopted by the association. A member of the association will be appointed as instructor for each month. Miss Lillie Chadsey will fill this office for the coming month.

Missionary Meeting.

The Home Missionary society of the First M. E. church met with Mrs Litsenberger of North Main street yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Kirkland led the meeting. The subject was "Alaska." Talks were made by Mrs. S. M. Irwin, Mrs. James Bothel and Mrs. P. H. Hoffman. It was decided to send a carpet to the Clarkson, Miss., school for girls which is a school supported by the society.

C. E. County Convention.

The program for the coming C. E. county convention is nearing completion. Rev. Dr. Rogers of Springfield will deliver an address and Rev. Ira D. Landreth, chairman of the national committee for the convention to be held at Nashville in 1898, will speak; also Miss Frances Patterson of Chicago.

In Honor of Vredenburg and Henkle.

The Misses Marie and Janet Powers entertained a party of friends last evening in honor of Messrs. Vredenburg and Henkle of Springfield. There was music, cards and dancing. Supper was served.

Going Down Hill.

People suffering from Kidney Diseases feel a gradual but steady loss of strength and vitality. They should lose no time in trying Foley's Kidney Cure, a guaranteed preparation. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Thirty eight members have recently been added to the Watseka Christian church.

Have You Had the Grip?

If you have, you probably need a reliable medicine like Foley's Honey and Tar to heal your lungs and stop the racking cough incidental to the disease. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

SPAIN'S NEW MINISTER.

Will Not Find Himself Among Strangers in Washington.

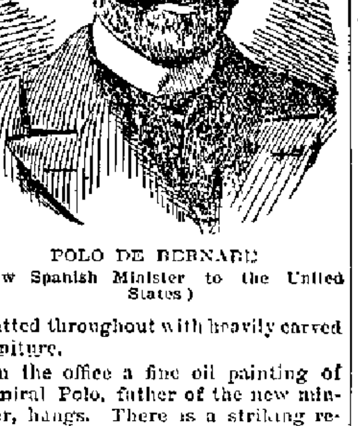
Senor Polo de Bernabe Served His Country in the United States as Attache When His Father Was Minister.

Senor Polo de Bernabe, the new Spanish minister who succeeds De Lome, will not find himself among strangers in Washington. He knows the life of the American capital like a book, having spent eight years in the diplomatic service at Washington, beginning as attache in 1873, when his father, the gallant Admiral Polo, was serving as Spanish minister to the United States.

It will thus be seen that the choice of Senor Bernabe reflects no small credit upon the good judgment of the Spanish government. The new minister made many warm friends when previously serving in this country, and his father is remembered as a man of remarkable force of character.

The name of the younger Bernabe recalls a homely, boyish-looking attache, whose face wore a perpetual smile, almost a broad grin, indicative of unfailing good nature. But that was 18 or 20 years ago. Now he comes back at the age of 45 with the dignity of increasing years and a reputation for diplomacy and scholarly attainments most gratifying to those who knew him as a fledgling.

Senor de Bernabe, says the New York Herald, brings with him a very lovely wife, the daughter of Senor Mendez de Vigo, present ambassador of Spain at Berlin, to whom he was married a few seasons ago. They have no children. The present Spanish legation at Washington was leased by Senor de Lome for several years, so it will be the residence of his successor. It is a handsomely-equipped official home. The walls are covered with tapestries and paintings, and the house



POLO DE BERNABE
(New Spanish Minister to the United States)

is fitted throughout with heavily carved furniture.

In the office a fine oil painting of Admiral Polo, father of the new minister, hangs. There is a striking resemblance between the old diplomat and sailor in gorgeous uniform, his breast glittering with many orders, and a likeness of the young Polo de Bernabe, which appears among the legation photographs. Admiral Polo was minister of Spain at Washington from 1872 through a greater part of 1875, succeeding Senor Roberts, a most popular Spanish representative.

The new minister was born in Madrid 45 years ago, and is of a family that have known admirable service with their government on land and sea. He entered the service as attache in Washington in 1873, was promoted to third secretary in 1875, remaining here until 1881, when, after eight years' service, he was transferred to the foreign office at Madrid. In 1882 he was appointed second secretary to Holland, from which post he returned in 1885 to the foreign office at Madrid. His elevation to the rank of minister followed shortly, when, from minister to Egypt and later to Brazil, he returned to become chief of the commercial section of the foreign office of Spain.

Senor de Bernabe is slight, short of stature, very blonde, with scant hair and beard. An excellent linguist, the new minister is also a man of many other accomplishments. He writes well, valuable treatises on commercial questions being among his works. His knowledge of commercial relations is said to be thorough.

It is hoped in Washington that the new career upon which Senor de Bernabe is about to enter may be characterized by the tact and force which were employed by his father. Admiral Polo won many warm admirers during his day, and as the son of his father the new minister is assured a cordial welcome, entirely aside from that due to the impression left from his own former sojourn in Washington.

Admiral Jose Polo de Bernabe, the father of the newly appointed minister, was known in Washington as a man of great integrity of character and dignity, and of delightful personality. During his entire term of service at Washington this was one of the most important posts in the entire Spanish diplomatic service, as the ten years' war in Cuba was in progress, and many questions were constantly arising requiring great diplomatic skill and a high order of ability for their discussion.

It was while in Washington that the United States and Spain were brought to the verge of war by the Virginius affair. He conducted with Secretary Fish a voluminous correspondence on this case, and his dispatches show that he had mastered every detail of all the questions which arose during its discussion. His analysis of the documents and the depositions relating to this affair, and his argument in support of the contention that the Virginius had no legal right to fly the American flag, constituted an able presentation of the Spanish case.

Don't annoy others by your coughing, and risk your life by neglecting a cold. One Minute Cough Cure cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe and all throat and lung troubles. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Now is the season for picking up dainty French enameled pieces of bric-a-brac and toilet wares.

God is simple enough to imagine His precepts are practical.

Man is a fool at all ages, but not the same fool.

PERRIN IS GONE

Mysterious Disappearance of Latham Principal.

LEFT THE PLACE IN A HURRY

New Teacher Secured for the School—Attorney Christianson of Decatur—Singular Conduct of a Pedagogue.

Lincoln, Ill., March 5.—J. H. Perrin, superintendent of the public schools at Latham Logan county, has suddenly and mysteriously disappeared. No trace can be found as to his whereabouts.

The above Associated Press telegram was received by the Republican today. Residents of the vicinity of Latham were in Decatur today. They state that the sudden departure of Perrin is causing all manner of gossip, but as yet there is no satisfactory solution of the school principal's singular conduct. It is known that Wednesday night Perrin went to the home of his brother-in-law, John H. Ritchie, several miles from Latham, and told him that he (Perrin) was going to leave the place at once and asked his relative to drive him with his personal belongings to the 9 o'clock train. He was brought to Latham and left for parts unknown that night, coming in the direction of Decatur. Perrin told Ritchie that he would not give any reason why he was leaving, but that he would write to the school board. He could not be induced to make any explanation whatever.

Attorney Christianson of Decatur has been secured to take charge of the Latham school and will enter upon his duties next Monday.

Perrin's home is at Washington, Ind. It is supposed that he is somewhere in that vicinity.

ANNEXATION.

Senate Committee Considered Hawaiian Affairs To-Day.

Washington, March 5.—The senate committee on foreign relations held a two hours sitting today in the effort to decide upon what course to pursue in reference to the Hawaiian annexation treaty. When the meeting adjourned the members refused absolutely to give out any information to the press, saying that all present had pledged themselves to absolute secrecy. It is learned through other senators, however, that the committee had under consideration the advisibility of taking up the question of annexation in the way of legislation rather than by treaty; that they decided not to abandon the treaty, at last immediately, but to press consideration upon the senate as soon as the appropriation bills are out of the way.

TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.

Editor Hedley of the Bunker Hill Gazette, who shot Mayor Richards was pronounced not guilty at the murder trial at Carlinville

W. H. Kelly has been arrested in Chicago for stealing $4000 from Col D. J. Block of the Palace hotel at Springfield. Kelly was formerly a clerk at the hotel.

Kid McCoy knocked out Nick Burley at Hot Springs in two rounds.

SEWING SCHOOL OPENED

This Morning at Women's Club Building—Attendance Large.

From the Daily of Saturday.

The ladies of St John's Episcopal church opened a sewing school this morning in the kindergarten room on the first floor of the Woman's club building. There were about 30 girls in attendance who were given their first lesson. The purpose of the school is to give girls an opportunity to learn sewing The classes will be held every Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, and it is expected that there will be many more who will join. Next week a class for ladies who wish to learn certain kinds of sewing will be started. The church charges a fee of 10 cents each lesson to defray the expenses.

Fought a Duel.

Paris, March 5.—Colonel Picquart, disciplined for giving testimony favorable to Zola, fought a duel with swords today with Colonel Henry, who in his testimony against Zola denounced Picquart as a liar. Colonel Henry was wounded in the wrist and arm.

U. S. Grant for Senator.

San Diego, Cal., March 5.—At a meeting of prominent Republicans held in this city steps were taken to promote the candidacy of U. S. Grant for the United States senate from California.

Fire in a Mine.

Breslau, Prussia, March 5.—A fire started in the Saturn and Sosnowyce mine today. Twenty of the dead have been so far recovered.

A Dying Princess.

Vienna, March 5.—The condition of the Crown Princess Stephane took a marked change for the worse last night. She has received the last sacrament.

Bank Statement.

New York, March 5.—The weekly bank statement shows the reserve decreased $2,156,000. The banks hold $20,500,000 in excess of legal requirements

Every existence is a reality. God does not deal in whimsicles.

The most of life is dream; we wake only to die.

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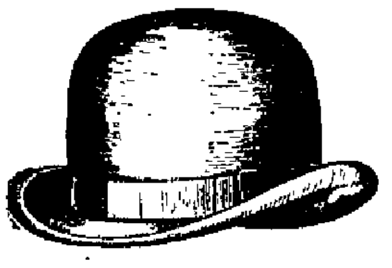
Spring Hats.



We are showing the new spring blocks in all dimensions in Stiff Hats. We are agents for the celebrated "Langley" and "Enquirer" in Blacks, Seal Browns, French Brown, Cuba, Sable and Otter.

In Fedoras we are showing the "Longley" and "Enquirer" in Black, Brown, Sable, Otter, Cuba and Pearl. Many of them have the new under brims, the under side of the brim being of a different color from the body of the hat.

Stylish Dressers

Will find much to interest them in our Hat Stock. . . . .

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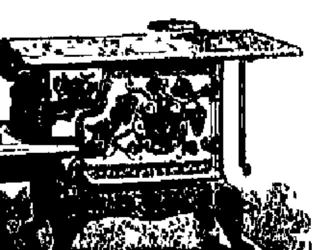
245-249 N. Water St., Next to Bradley Bros.

SUPERIOR

Cook Stoves and Steel Ranges.



18 YEARS

We have sold these goods in Decatur. No other line in the city has been sold for half this time.

No Steel Range

on the market can compare with the "Superior." The best is always the cheapest when buying a cook stove or range.

A Full Line on Our Floor.

Bachman Bros. & Martin Co.

240-252 E. MAIN STREET.

DO YOU NEED ANY?

See Prices.

1 case Summer Corsets..25c
1 " Drab Summer....49c
1 " White " 50c
1 " Short " ...$1.00

THERE'S a difference between CORSETS made exactly right and CORSETS made just to sell. Wear will soon betray this secret. ANTHONY sells all the popular makes and makes popular prices.

SEE—Thompson's Glove Fitting, Dr. Warner's, P. D., R. & G., American Lady, Etc., Etc.

H. C. Anthony
DECATUR, ILL.

There are three little things which do more work than any other three little things created—they are the ant, the bee and DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the last being the famous little pills for stomach and liver troubles. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

F... n—A man of letters who goes the ...

The... re very many refined and perfumed savages.

A thrill of terror is experienced when a brassy cough of croup sounds through the house at night. But the terror soon changes to relief after One Minute Cough Cure has been administered. Safe and harmless for children. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Civilization sharpens a man's claws; Christianity shortens them.

Posterity—Our distant relations.

Incur—A cur that is not outside.

Weekly Republican.

THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 1898.

LOCAL NEWS.

J. M. Songer is now in charge of the Park hotel. B. L. Martin has retired.

The most diabolical selfishness is smiling and gentle.

Champaign county Republican convention will be held April 14 in Urbana.

J. F. Childs of Homer, aged 73, died of pneumonia.

J. W. Cannon has purchased the S. P. McAllister grocery store stock out on West Macon street and is in possession.

The High school cantata will be given on March 18 at the opera house. Prof. Westhoff will be the director.

Just 30 years ago March 3, 1868, George M. Wood was elected city treasurer of Decatur. He says the mercury was at zero that day.

W. J. Moorehead of Delavan has bought 20 acres of land of Arch. McCoy. The place is known as the Eglan and Lilla property, in the southeast part of Delavan.

Foley's Honey and Tar Cough Medicine is unquestionably the best remedy for the throat and lungs. Pleasant to take and is GUARANTEED. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone

Mt. Pulaski township has just paid off $4,000 of railroad bonded debt and is now free of all debt. A new $100,000 court house is predicted for the near future.

Champaign county has paid $1851.48 bounty on 07,544 sparrow scalps during the past three months, a third more than the bounty of a year ago and three times that of previous years.

Whooping cough is the most distressing malady; but its duration can be cut short by the use of One Minute Cough Cure, which is also the best known remedy for croup and all lung and bronchial troubles. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Charles M. Fletcher of Mt. Zion disposed of a carload of fine fat cattle in Chicago last week, selling at $5.15 per hundred. The average weight of the two year olds was 1650 pounds.

Charley Maxwell will give instruction in band music to a number of ambitious musicians at Blue Mound. All hope to become proficient in the playing of brass instruments.

The Mt. Olive Silver band has volunteered its services to the United States to go to Cuba, sending to the naval department a resolution to that effect signed by each of the 20 members.

After years of untold suffering from piles, B. W. Purcell, of Knitnersville, Pa., was cured by using a single box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Skin diseases, such as eczema, rash, pimples and obstinate sores, are readily cured by this famous remedy. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

The road commissioners are trying to get the usual county aid for a new iron bridge over Mud Creek, near the residence of John White, north of Allentown in Tazewell county.

Frank Kimberlin and wife formerly of Dement have moved to Decatur. Mr. Kimberlin will connect himself with the firm which will be known as Dayton, Kimberlin & Co., General repair and supply house, 407 North Main street.

What pleasure is there in life with a headache, constipation and biliousness? Thousands experience them who could become perfectly healthy by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

The Iroquois County News has been bought by W. H. Harry and M. P. Kelley, of that place. Possession will be given on March 19 and the name changed to the Democrat.

The King's Daughters of Paxton have taken the guardianship of a deaf and dumb lad named Livingston, and placed him this week in the asylum at Jacksonville.

Children and adults tortured by burns, scalds, injuries, eczema or skin diseases may secure instant relief by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is the great Pile remedy. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

In Chicago Friday the will of the late Frances E. Willard was offered for probate. Most of the estate is left to Miss Anna Gordon, but Miss Willard's home in Evanston is left to Miss Gordon and Mary Bannister Willard during their lives, and will revert eventually to the benefit of the national W. C. T. U. The estate is estimated at $17,000, of which $16,000 is real property.

Quit Claim Deeds.

Edward L Pegram to James E. Stumpf, quit claim deed to the north half of lot 3 in block 1 of H. Robinson's addition to Decatur; $1.

Samuel McBride to James E. Stumpf, quit claim deed to same; $1.

Frank S. Haimbacher to Henry Slandeman, lot 23 in block 1 of Southeastern addition to Decatur; $1.

"That Tired Feeling"

overcomes us when inferior preparations are recommended by unscrupulous dealers as "just as good as Foley's Honey and Tar Cough Syrup," when we know the unequaled merits of this great cough medicine. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Where Did They Get It?

A district meeting of undertakers was held Friday at Quincy, when there was a school of instruction. A peculiar feature of the meeting was the display and inspection of the corpse of a man 60 years old, who died five months ago. The body was embalmed, and presents as natural an appearance now as at the day of death—in fact, looks more lifelike, as it has lost the waxen appearance. It is as hard as stone, and, it is said, could be kept unburied for many years. In extremely cold weather it is placed near a fire to prevent it freezing.

GIVE THE CHILDREN A DRINK

called Grain-O. It is a delicious, appetizing, nourishing food drink to take the place of coffee. Sold by all grocers and liked by all who have used it because when properly prepared it tastes like the finest coffee but is free from all its injurious properties. Grain-O aids digestion and strengthens the nerves. It is not a stimulant but a health builder, and children as well as adults, can drink it with great benefit. Costs about ¼ as much as coffee. Price 15 and 25c.

FUNERAL SERVICES

Held Over Remains of the Late W. T. Wells.

REV. PENHALLEGON'S SERMON

There Was a Large Attendance—Hardware Stores of the City were Closed—Burial at Greenwood Cemetery.

From the Daily of Thursday.

The funeral of the late William T. Wells was held at the residence on North Main street at 9 o'clock this afternoon, Rev. W. H. Penhallegon, pastor of the First Presbyterian church officiating. There was a very large attendance of business men and citizens. There were many floral offerings which were arranged about the casket. The hardware stores of the city and the public library were closed this afternoon out of respect to Mr. Wells.

The music at the funeral was rendered by a quartet composed of C. W. Montgomery, D. L. Bunn, Bert Gher and R. W. Chilson. The selections given were: "Wilt Thou Not Visit Me," "Vital Spark of Heavenly Flame," and "Oh, Glorious City."

THE ADDRESS.

Rev. Penhallegon delivered the funeral address speaking in part as follows:

"When the last chapter is written and the book is finished the author may rest from his labors, but the lines that came from his pen go out as his message on their silent, potential errand. When life's day is over, the light put out, the curtain drawn, the end is reached, the work is done, we have fallen into saying, but this is an over statement of the fact. The truth is told us by the stately writer of the Epistle to the Hebrews, 'Being dead yet speaketh.'

"There are some lives which society forgets easily enough. They do so little for the world while they are in it that their going away makes no jar and their departure causes no regret—the ranks are closed up and they are barely missed. But there are other lives which move along the highways of business, the sons of self-sacrifice, who you may always find in the paths of duty, who like John Howard, lived for others and like the Master go about doing good, that their departure is naturally regarded as a public loss and their death regretted. Such men while they live are starting lines of influence which can never die and putting in motion powers for good which will go on forever. Their hands and hearts are full of great hopes and good deeds while here, and their memories linger as a rich heritage and a constant reminder after they have gone. A life of the latter class, strong in its aspirations toward high and noble ideas and admirable in its consecration to chosen duty, has just gone out from us. We could easily drop into a reminiscent mood and speak of the noble deeds, the kindly acts, the tangible manifestations of genuine manliness and pure religion which were constantly showing themselves all through his life. We might speak of his deep religious nature, to his fondness for Christian truth, his loyalty, his religious convictions and his zeal in christian work, but to do this at length, to deal in eulogy would be in direct violation to what he regarded as the canons of good taste. Gentleness and modesty were prominent traits of his character as natural as perfume to the rose. Ostentatious display was as foreign as discord to music. I shall not do violence to what I know his wishes would be were it possible for those mute lips to break the silence. We are here to bury our friend, not to praise him. His life speaks for itself, his record made in this city, where he spent two thirds of his days in active business, is infinitely better than any spoken eulogy. The poet has told us, 'A man's own deeds are his best monument.' On the tomb of Sir Christopher Wren in St. Paul's cathedral, these words are chiseled: 'If you would see his monument look around.' The monument of Mr. Wells may be seen in this city by simply looking around. His progressive ideas, which were so characteristic of him in business, he applied to everything he touched. Every cause that promised good had his support, every worthy institution found in him a friend. Beginning his career here 40 years ago with nothing but a pair of hands and a true heart he has by his energy and integrity forged ahead amid obstacles and discouragements till he has reached a topmost place. Perhaps Decatur never had an active, fully occupied business man, one whose time was so valuable, who did more for his church and for the cause of Christ in general than he. The Sunday school of which he was for 25 years the efficient superintendent, was never allowed to suffer because he was pressed hard by other duties. Whatever official position was thrust upon him he regarded as a sacred trust, and its duties were always discharged faithfully and well.

"It may not be out of place for me to say here that the Presbyterian church may well be regarded as Mr Wells' monument. To his constant faithfulness more than that of any other man the city is indebted for that splendid edifice. During the two years it was in the course of erection he gave himself to watchful care and efficient superintendency and since its dedication he has with rare tact and consummate zeal closed up all the financial obligations. To say that he will be missed is but to utter a commonplace, self-evident truth. The loss is so great it would almost seem excusable to give way to our feelings and cherish our sorrows, but this is the very last thing he would want us to do. We must close up the ranks, take up the work where he left it and push on doing with our might 'What our hands find to do.' He honored our city while he lived. We can best do honor to his memory if we follow his example as he followed the Master and 'Go about doing good.'"

The employes of the Morehouse and Wells Company store attended the funeral in a body, eight of the younger men acting as the pallbearers. They were P. A. Hoffman, Wilbur Humphries, Albert Bowers, Roy Wilson, S. P. Morehouse, William Russell, Charles Foster and B. P. Bartlett. The interment was at Greenwood cemetery.

W. T. Wells was born at Coshocton, Ohio, May 31, 1834. He was a descendant of Governor Thomas Wells of Connecticut, one of the early colonial governors, and one of the oldest New England families. His parents settled in Ohio in the early days. Mr. Wells started out to earn his own livelihood early in life. Before he was 20 years old he made a trip to Mississippi in charge of a flatboat loaded with stoneware. For a while he worked for the late Charles Matheny at Springfield, Ill., in the capacity of grocery clerk. In 1856 he came from Springfield to Decatur, where he secured a position as bookkeeper for the late Franklin Priest, who at that time was running a saw mill and a grist mill. Three years later he formed a partnership with George E. Morehouse in the hardware business.

Mr. Wells was a pioneer in the manufacture of typewriting machines. He was a member of the Caligraph Writing Machine company of New York from the time of its organization until his death.

Funeral of Julius Shultz.

The funeral of the late Julius Shultz, who died in Chicago, was held at 9 o'clock this afternoon from St. Patrick's Catholic church. The services were conducted by Rev. Father Brady and the burial was at the Catholic cemetery.

Death of Mrs. Swick.

Mrs. Rachel Swick, mother of G. W. Swick, died last night at 7:30 o'clock at her home, 304 South Water street, aged 80 years. Her death was caused by general debility. She was born in Fairfield county, Ohio, in 1818, and had lived in Decatur since 1887. She was the mother of four children, three of whom are now dead. She was a member of the First Methodist church and was quite well known.

PROPERTY SOLD.

Disposed of at the Court House Door by the Master in Chancery.

From the Daily of Thursday.

Yesterday J. J. Finn, master-in-chancery, at the court house door, under decrees of foreclosure, sold property as follows, in each instance the property being bid in by the complainant:

John G. Cloyd trustee vs Millie Proctor, et al; foreclosure. The north half of lot 1 in block 5 in the original city of Decatur; $2288.54.

Savings Fund Building Association vs. Emily J Camron et al; foreclosure. Lot 12 in J. K. Warren & Co.'s sixth addition to Decatur; $1055.50.

Savings Fund Building Association vs. Rosalie Rosen et al; foreclosure. Lots 5 and 8 in block 2 in Montgomery & Shull's first addition to Decatur; $1750.

In Memoriam.

At a meeting of Washington Camp, No. 57, P. O. S. of A., held Tuesday evening, March 1, the following resolution were adopted:

"Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God to visit our camp and remove from our midst our brother, Louis Goodman; and

"Whereas, The deceased has always proved himself a true patriot and a devoted son of America; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we recognize in his death a visitation of divine Providence, and humbly submit to the will of that Supreme Being who giveth and taketh away at his own good pleasure.

"Resolved, That our sincere and heartfelt sympathy be extended to the bereaved family in this hour of sore bereavement and we commend them to Him who alone can comfort the stricken and distressed.

"Resolved, That as a token of respect for our beloved brother we drape our charter for a period of 30 days, and the resolutions be inscribed on the minutes and inserted in a daily paper, and a copy sent to the family of the deceased.

Chas. Kemper,
Bert C Bobb,
R. L. Dixon,
Committee.

At Rest.

Friday afternoon the funeral of Mrs. Rachel Swick, mother of George W. Swick, was held from the family residence, 304 South Water street. The floral tributes were beautiful and numerous and many friends were in attendance. The services were conducted by Rev. Frost Craft of the First M. E. church. The pallbearers were W. W. Conard, Robert Foster, George Othelmer, Ed Mitchel and George Warden. The interment was at Greenwood.

Paving in the Spring.

There is considerable work to be done by the city this spring as soon as the weather will permit. The paving of Morgan and Herkimer streets will probably be the first as the contract has already been let. The ordinances have been passed for the paving of Monroe from Eldorado to Packard street, and Packard street from Monroe to Vandyke street, also South Main street and West Wood street. The contracts for the paving of these streets have not been let.

Poor Not so Numerous.

There are not as many poor people in the city suffering from want this winter as is usual. The overseer says that those he has on his list number less than 100. The charitable organizations have all been working, but the number of applications for help are not so numerous as usual.

Sold His Farm.

Harry W. Fish last week sold his farm of 340 acres situated near Shell City, Mo., to a party living at Shell City.

THE SUGAR BEET

Discussed at a Convention Held This Afternoon

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT ROOM

Addresses by Mr. Hopke, of Grand Island, Neb., and Prof. Holden, of the University of Illinois.

From the Daily of Friday.

In the circuit court room this afternoon a meeting was held for the purpose of bringing before the farmers of this county facts in regard to the raising of sugar beets. The people of Illinois have recently become greatly interested in the beet sugar industry and after the state farmers' institute at Champaign a meeting was held and an association formed to bring the matter before the people. Albert Barnes, who was elected president of the association, together with Boring Burrows, arranged for the meeting in this city and secured two speakers, Mr. Hopke of Grand Island, Neb., and Prof. Holden of the University of Illinois.

The meeting this afternoon was for the purpose of giving the farmers an opportunity to learn facts in regard to the industry that they may by practical experiments ascertain whether or not the sugar beets can be raised successfully in this part of the country. There were quite a number of persons in attendance at the meeting when it was called to order at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon.

Besides Mr. Barnes a number of other land owners are interested in the movement. Among those in attendance at the meeting today were Lowber Burrows, William Voorhies, Will Ennis and quite a number of others who own farm property. It is believed that if the beets can be successfully raised in this part of the state that the land can be made to pay much larger than any other crop now grown by the farmers.

Mr. Hopke, the principal speaker, was introduced by Prof. Holden. He will speak nearly all the afternoon. Mr Hopke's opinion and statements on the subject are valuable as he is probably the highest authority in this country on the raising of beets. He was the first man who successfully raised the crop in this country and he is now engaged in the business at Grand Island, where there is a large sugar beet factory. He was engaged in the business in Germany and was brought to this country by men interested in the industry. Mr Hopke has made a success of the business in this country and the information he is able to furnish is of great value to the farmers if they expect to go into the business of raising beets. Prof. Holden is of the agricultural department and has experimented largely with the sugar beet and will also tell what he knows about the business.

From the Daily of Saturday.

The farmers and land owners who attended the beet sugar meeting yesterday afternoon learned some valuable pointers in regard to the business. The purpose and details of the meeting were stated in yesterday's issue of this paper. Two addresses were made, one by Prof. Holden and another by Mr. Hopke. The former spoke as follows:

"The amount of sugar used per capita in Illinois is 70 pounds, worth $3.50. The bulk of this comes from Germany or Cuba. Every year $150,000 is sent out of Macon county for sugar and if this money could be kept at home it would be a good thing. The agricultural station at Champaign last year sent out beet seed to 200 farmers and the result demonstrated that the soil in central Illinois is well adapted to the raising of beets. A moderate size factory costs about $250,000. The farmers must know that they can raise the kind and quality of beets required and must enter into some kind of contract to devote a certain amount of land to beet raising before anyone can be induced to invest so much money in a factory. The establishment of such a factory brings prosperity to a community. It not only means that a large amount of money will be distributed among the farmer, but that many persons will find employment. At Grand Island, Nebraska, where a factory was established the land has raised in price. It was formerly worth only from $10 to $40 an acre and now it is worth $80 to $100 an acre and rents for $10.

"It was feared that the cultivation of beets would drive out other crops. It might be well if the corn and oats crop of Illinois could be lessened, but it does not do this, but it does diversify farming.

"If the farmers of this county wish to cultivate beets the proper course for them to pursue would be to organize and appoint a committee of farmers and business men to visit factories and districts where sugar is raised. The railroads are as much interested in the matter as any one and will likely furnish free transportation. Several acres of beets should be grown experimentally by some of the best farmers at the expense of the organization and under the direction of some one who thoroughly understands beet raising. Every dollar spent in this way will save hundreds. If you find that you can raise them and will enter into a five year contract the factory will come."

Mr. Hopke of Grand Island was introduced by Prof. Holden as being the best authority on beet sugar culture. He spoke as follows:

"If sugar beet can be profitably raised on the high priced land of Germany they can be profitably raised on the cheaper land of America. At the present prices of the best land in Illinois two or three acres of beets ought to pay for the land on which they are raised. The expense of bringing an acre of beets to market is about $31, divided as follows:

Rent	$5.00
Seed	2.00
Plowing	1.25
Seeding	1.00
Cultivating (five times)	1.00
Trimming and bunching	5.00
Hoeing (two times)	6.00
Topping	4.00
Lifting	.75
Hauling	5.00

"To raise sugar beets select the best soil on your farm. If plowed in the fall, plow much deeper than ordinarily. I plowed in the spring, follow with a subsoil plow, stirring the soil two or three inches deeper. The portion of the beet that grows above the surface is useless and must be cut off. By deep plowing the most of the beet grows below the surface.

"The planting is done about the middle of April, or as soon after as the ground is in condition. The soil must be worked with plow, harrow, roller and disc until it is like a garden.

"Plant with a drill in rows 18 inches apart. In the richer soil of Illinois it would perhaps be better to plant in rows 14 inches apart, securing a bigger yield and a better quality. The seed must be planted very shallow. Use plenty of seed to insure a good stand. It takes from seven to fourteen days for the seed to germinate. As soon as the plants are up work the ground with the cultivator. The American cultivator, made for this purpose, is the best. As soon as the plants have put out the second pair of leaves thin and bunch. This is done by working out with a hoe, leaving bunches about 10 inches apart in the row. Then the strongest plant is held with the left hand and with the right the others are pulled away. This work should be quickly done and the limit of cost should be $5. Three days after thinning hoe. Use the cultivator frequently. About the last of July the crop is laid by. This is done by cultivating as deeply as possible and on the thoroughness of this working depends the crop.

"The harvesting is done with a special tool called a lifter. This runs under the beets, breaking the small roots and loosening them, but it does not lift them out of the ground. They are picked up by hand. Before hauling to the factory they are topped; that is, the portion growing above the ground is cut off. This, with the leaves, makes valuable feed for cows.

"At the factory they are weighed and tested and the price gauged according to the per cent of sugar the beets contain. A fair crop is 12 tons. At $4 per ton this makes $48, and as $31 was the cost of raising the beets there is a profit of $17. If the farmer did much work himself the profit would be still larger. To raise 100 acres of beets $1500 would be all the capital required.

The World's Population.

New York Tribune: Hubner's statistical and geographical tables, as a result of the latest investigations, give the population of the world as 1,550,000,000. This is an increase over the figures of 1898 of 23,000,000. To this increase Europe is credited with contributing 5,700,000; Asia, 6,900,000; Africa, 7,500,000; America, 3,900,000. The United States, with its great growth, estimated by this authority at 2,300,000, and its present population, placed at 72,300,000, represents more than 8 per cent of the entire population of North and South America—a circumstance adduced as highly significant, and occurring in no other part of the earth. The population of Europe was increased to 378,600,000, which is about a quarter of the entire population of the earth.

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Going to St. Paul.

Mr. and Mrs. William F Colladay of Chicago, formerly of Decatur, will go to St. Paul to reside. Mr. Colladay, who is a member of the credit department of Swift & Co., Chicago, goes to St. Paul to take charge of the credit department of their plant at that place.

Died at Monticello.

Miss Ruth Dilatush, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dilatush of Monticello, and grand daughter of Mr. and Mrs George Dilatush of this city, died at the home of her parents Wednesday March 2, of rheumatism of the heart, aged 11 years.

Will Filed.

The will of the late Margaret J. Muirheid has been filed in the county court and the hearing has been set for March 29.

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SENATE VOTES WITHOUT DEBATE

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THE MONTGOMERY AT HAVANA

Commander Brownson on His Way to Europe for More Battleships —All Quiet at Havana City—Spain is Silent.

Washington, March 9.—The senate committee on appropriations agreed to the house bill appropriating $50,000,000 for national defense. It will be reported when the senate meets and an effort will be made to pass it without debate.

Long before the senate convened the galleries filled with spectators, gathered in anticipation of debate on the $50,000,000 emergency appropriation bill, and the crowds surged through the corridors anxious to secure admission on the floor. The attendance was unusually large when the vice-president's gavel fell, calling the body to order. Nearly all the members of the appropriations committee, including Chairman Allison of Iowa, and the foreign relations committee, including Chairman Davis of Minnesota, were in their seats.

Senator Hale reported the house bill appropriating $50,000,000 for national defense and asked its immediate consideration. The bill passed without debate. The yeas and nays were taken on the passage of the bill, but there was not a dissenting vote. All pairs were broken and those present voted in the affirmative. Seventy-six senators voted for the bill. No nays.

A slight ripple of applause followed the announcement of the vice president by spectators, but the senate remained calm and dignified, repressing enthusiasm which was evident in the face and gesture of the great majority.

Chandler of New Hampshire presented a resolution authorizing the committee on naval affairs investigating the wrecked battleship Maine, to send for persons and papers and make an investigation by a full or sub-committee. Referred to the committee contingent on expenses. The senate then went into executive session and then adjourned. In the meantime the emergency appropriation bill had been printed on parchment in the government printing office. As soon as it was passed by the senate it was sent by a mounted messenger to the capitol where it was compared with the bill as passed and taken to the house. At 1:10 p. m. the speaker took the chair and announced that he had affixed his signature to the bill. The senate, however, had adjourned, preventing the securing of the signature of the vice president today, so it will not go to the president until tomorrow.

The defense bill was signed by the President this afternoon.

THE CIVIL SERVICE.

Senator Pritchard, chairman of the committee on civil service, today presented the report of that committee on the recent investigation of the classified service embodying the conclusions of the committee. These were divided under two heads: First—That the executive has power to make such modifications as may be found advisable, and therefore no legislation is needed. Secondly, the committee is agreed that the classification has been too extensive and that certain places that have been classified should be excluded from classification, so the appointments may be made to them without examination, but at the pleasure of the head of the department or bureau. The committee, therefore, is of the opinion that the president should make certain modifications in the existing civil service rules, and should restore to the heads of departments and heads of bureaus the appointment of certain classes of officials. The committee, however, recognizes that its province in this is purely advisory, since it has no legislation to propose.

Warship at Havana.

Havana, March 9.—The United States cruiser Montgomery, from Key West, arrived this morning.

Spain Not a Buyer.

Washington, March 9.—The administration has definite information from a source regarded beyond question that Spain has not purchased the Brazilian cruisers, Barbosa and Amazonas.

More Spaniards for Cuba.

Madrid, March 9.—It became known today that the transport steamer Alfonso XII. sailed for Cuba from Barcelona on Sunday, having on board 900 soldiers and 4,000,000 cartridges.

Will Buy at Once.

London, March 9.—The indications are that the United States government will not wait the arrival here of Commander Brownson in order to purchase warships. Definite offers have already been made for ships in course of building with a view of forestalling Spain, supposed to be bargaining for the same vessels.

GONE AFTER WAR SHIPS.

Uncle Sam Will Lay in a Supply of Floaters in Case of Need.

New York, March 9.—Commander W. H. Brownson of the United States navy, sailed today for Southampton to look at various warships in England, France and Germany, being offered the United States.

ALL VOTE FOR THE BILL.

$50,000,000 for the Defense of America in Case of War.

Washington, March 9.—In the house the debate on the Cannon bill for an appropriation of $50,000,000 as a war fund closed at 4:20 o'clock last evening. When the question was put on the passage of the bill the whole house en masse was in its favor but Mr. Cannon asked for the ayes and noes. He did so he said at the request of many members who desired that every member should go on record.

Every member present voted for the bill many of them assuming the responsibility of breaking their pairs in order to place themselves on record. At the conclusion of the roll call the speaker had his name called, an unusual proceeding, and amid great applause voted for the bill. When he announced the vote, "311 ayes, noes none," an enthusiastic demonstration occurred.

GROSVENOR'S EULOGY.

Many patriotic speeches were delivered. Mr. Grosvenor of Ohio aroused the house to cheers by his glowing eulogy of the president's patriotism. He began thus:

Saxon and Norman and Dane are we,
But we are all of us Danes in our welcome to thee.

"Thus spake the heart of the great British public when the daughter of the sea king came to her shores. Democrats and Populists and Republicans are we, but we are all true to the flag of our country today.

"Mr. Speaker, no more inspiring picture can be witnessed anywhere on earth than the demonstrations which we have seen during the last 30, 60 and 90 days of the power of a great people, a free government, not only to stand for the flag of their country, the unity of the government, the supremacy of the constitution, but for their dignity and calm exhibit in the face of the world. The American people have had a great deal to stir the blood of enthusiasm, a great deal to carry them off the feet of their calm judgment. But the picture that the world has seen is the picture of a nation calmly studying every question as it arose, and as step by step danger seemed to come, threatening with its dark, frowning face, all distinctions fled away. It will be worth more than $50,000,000 to the American people to know that the great heart of this people is a unit in favor of the government. (Applause.)

"I have long thought that it was possible that war might be a benefit to our country in this direction; but the demonstration of the last 30 days and its culmination which is to take place in this capital today and tomorrow, takes the place in the judgment of mankind of war as an evidence of the unity of a mighty nation. (Applause.) How magnificently has this duty been approached and performed. A doubt about the American people! Hesitation about the character of the executive! A man who marched and fought at Antietam and in the Valley of Virginia, who followed the fortunes of Sheridan in the great charge of that memorable campaign, who stood from his boyhood of 18 years to his manhood in the face and fire of battle—does anybody doubt where his loyalty is, where his patriotism is, where his courage is? (Applause.) Calmly and deliberately he has weighed every measure. Calmly and deliberately he has considered every threatening circumstance, and calmly and deliberately behind him have stood 75,000,000 of people, confident in him, confident in the patriotism of the people, true and faithful to the loyalty that has come to us from a thousand battlefields that saved the union. (Applause.) How magnificent it is! I said some days ago here that I had longed to live until I knew that this people was a united people. I have always felt that the actions of 1861 to 1865 were poorly done, that the blood was shed, if at the end of this long period we had not a united nation. Thank God, I have lived to see the hour come, the day dawn and universal loyalty the watch word of every man, woman and child." (Applause.)

MONUMENT FOR THE SAILORS

School Children of the Country to Give a Penny Apiece.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 9.—Local school children are to pioneer a monument movement for the sailors of the Maine buried at Havana. It is proposed that every child in the public schools of the country shall contribute one penny for this purpose.

Stocks Show Strength.

New York, March 9.—Large gains were made at the opening of the stock exchange, specialties leading the advance. Sugar rose 1%. Internationals and grangers ½ to 1 point. Quotations from London showed a better tone for Americans there. Additional substantial improvements were recorded in many properties during the first hour.

The Kansas Midland Railroad.

Wichita, Kans., March 9.—Judge Thayer of the federal court, on the application of the Mercantile Trust company of New York today granted a decree of foreclosure against the Kansas Midland railroad for $1,700,000. It covers 100 miles of track between Wichita and Ellsworth.

In Chinese Waters.

Hong Kong, March 9.—The Russian warships, Sissoi, Valiky and Navarin, have arrived here.

MARTIN SET FREE

Failed to Convict Latimer Strike Sheriff.

JURY'S VERDICT IS NOT GUILTY

Sketch of W. J. Calhoun—Active in Politics—Went to the War When a Boy—The Alton Schools.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 9.—The jury in the case of Sheriff Martin and his deputies for shooting and killing strikers at Latimer September 10, returned a verdict of not guilty today.

When the jury retired last evening they took only one ballot and it was unanimous for acquittal. The defendants's bonds were continued as there are still 17 indictments for murder hanging over them and 38 for feloniously wounding people.

Adopts the Honor System.

Alton, Ill., March 9.—The Alton high school authorities have adopted the honor system of government, the new idea to go into effect this week.

Discipline by the teachers is abolished and every pupil put upon honor for his and her personal conduct, in class and on the play ground, inspired by the mutual aim to follow the highest idea of behavior and attainment. The plan has elicited great enthusiasm among teachers and pupils.

SKETCH OF W. J. CALHOUN

New Member of the Inter-State Commerce Commission.

Danville, Ill., March 9.—Hon. W. J. Calhoun, appointed member of the Inter-State Commerce Commission to succeed W. R. Morrison, was born in Pittsburg, Pa., and is 49 years old. When he was 6 years old his father moved to Poland, Ohio, and for many years lived near the McKinley home. He attended school

JUDGE W. J. CALHOUN.

with the president, but was in a different grade. Mr. Calhoun and Abner McKinley were close friends, and not a day passed for four or five years that young Calhoun was not in the McKinley home When William McKinley was 17 years of age and a member of the debating society and was making one of his maiden efforts young Abner and Calhoun sat in the back seats and annoyed him.

When 15 years of age Calhoun ran away from home to join the army, where he remained for three years, being mustered out in December, 1865. He served several months after the war with the forces on the Rio Grande, watching Maximilian in his efforts to establish a throne in Mexico.

Mr. Calhoun has been a resident of Danville for more than twenty years. For many years he was the law partner of J. S. Mann, now in Chicago. While taking great interest in politics, Mr. Calhoun has never been a politician or an office seeker. He was a member of the legislature for one term, and also prosecuting attorney for Vermilion county for four years.

In the campaign of 1896 he took a decided stand for McKinley. The leading politicians of Illinois were against instructing for McKinley. The plans were all laid for the Vermilion county convention to instruct for Tanner. Mr. Calhoun was a delegate and by the most eloquent speech ever heard in the county he turned the tide and secured instructions for McKinley.

Iroquois county also instructed for McKinley. Kankakee and Will, the other two counties in the congressional district, were against the instruction, but Vermilion and Iroquois had two votes the best of it and two delegates to the national convention, through Mr. Calhoun's efforts, were secured for McKinley. Mr. Calhoun's speech in the state convention for McKinley is well remembered. This speech gave him a state and national reputation as an orator.

Locally Mr. Calhoun is popular with all classes, democrats as well as republicans, and his appointment gives universal satisfaction.

DEATH RECORD.

DOYLE.

From the Daily of Tuesday.

Mrs. Bridget Doyle died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Luke McDonald, in St. Louis. The body was brought to Decatur last night for burial. Mrs. Doyle formerly lived near Cerro Gordo and was well known. She was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic church and had many friends in Decatur. She was 80 years old and was born in County Wexford, Ireland but had lived in Macon county for many years past. She went to St. Louis a few months ago to visit her daughter when her health failed. She is survived by the following children: Mrs. John Murphy of Decatur, Mrs. Mary Lapan of Massachusetts, James Doyle of Chicago and Harry Doyle and Mrs. Luke McDonald of S. Louis. The remains were taken to the undertaking establishment of Wikoff and Reeve.

The funeral will be held at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning from St. Patrick's Catholic church. The services will be conducted by Rev. Father Brady and the burial will be at Calvary cemetery.

DILLON.

The three months old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Dillon died Saturday night at their home 1675 North Railroad avenue. The funeral was held Monday afternoon and the burial was at Greenwood cemetery.

From the Daily of Wednesday.

Patrick Houran died this morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E. Marcello, 121 West Packard street, aged 78 years. He was alone when he passed away and was found dead by his daughter this morning about 6 o'clock. Mr. Houran's death, however, was not unexpected. He had been in good health until last Friday, when he came home in the evening and suffered a stroke of paralysis. Since that time he has been helpless and his relatives realized that he would never recover. This morning about 3:30 o'clock his daughter left him and retired. When she arose at 6 o'clock this morning she found her father dead.

Patrick Houran was born in County Carey, Ireland, in 1825. He came to America fifty years ago and lived most of the time at Terre Haute, Indiana. He resided in Decatur four years and then returned to Terre Haute to live. Last December Mr. Houran with his wife came back to Decatur to make their home with their daughter, Mrs. Marcello. Mrs. Houran died about five weeks ago. Mr. Houran was quite well known in this city and was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic church. He is survived by four children. They are William, who is employed by the C. & E. I. railroad at Terre Haute; Michael of Decatur and Cone P. Houran, both of whom are conductors on the Vandalia road, and Mrs. E. Marcello of Decatur.

The funeral will be held from St. Patrick's Catholic church but the time has not yet been decided upon and will be announced later when all of the children arrive.

FUNERAL OF MRS. DOYLE.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Bridget Doyle was held this morning at 10 o'clock from St. Patrick's Catholic church. The services were conducted by Rev. Father Brady and were largely attended. The burial was at the Catholic cemetery.

ELMER LEFEVER.

Elmer, the six months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lefever, died at their home, 1505 North Calhoun street Tuesday morning. The funeral took place from the residence at 3 o'clock this afternoon. Rev. M. B. Spayd conducted the services and the burial was at Greenwood cemetery.

ALBERT JOHNSON.

Albert Johnson died Tuesday at his home east of Riverside, aged 38 years. His death was caused by a complication of diseases He leaves a widow and three children.

The funeral took place at 2 o'clock this afternoon from the residence. The burial was at Mt. Gilead cemetery.

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DUTIES OF COUNTY TREASURER

Increased Responsibility Under the New Revenue Law.

An important addition has been made to the duties of county treasurer by the recent revenue law. The new law provides that "The township supervisors, township assessors and township clerks, who have heretofore acted as the town board of review in their respective townships, and the county board shall not hereafter have the power as such board of review to assess, equalize, review or revise the assessment of property." By the provisions of the new law, "the county treasurer shall be ex-officio supervisor of assessments in his county;" and "shall on or before the first day of April in each year assemble all the assessors and their deputies for consultation, and shall give such instructions to them as shall tend to a uniformity in the action of the assessors and deputy assessors in his county." He "shall have the same authority as the township assessor to assess, make changes or alterations in the assessment of property."

The provisions quoted sufficiently indicate the additional importance and responsibility which attaches to the office of county treasurer under the new law.

The judge never sits on the jury, but he frequently does on the attorney.

The elephant does not smell with his trunk. His olfactory nerves are contained in a single nostril, which is in the roof of the mouth, near the front.

Why does the man who is always blowing usually finds it difficult to raise the wind?

The Van Gundy elevator at Macon has been completed and is ready for business.

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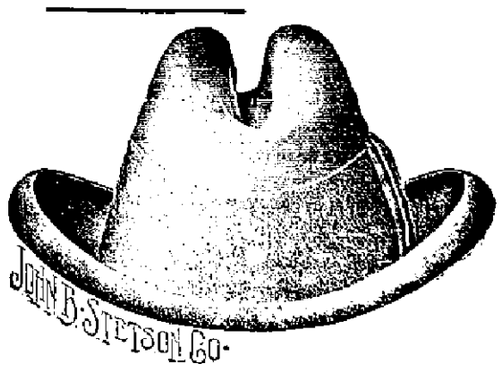

The Race Clothing Manufacturing Co. are showing in their south window samples of the furs from which the celebrated Stetson hats are made. The furs are all foreign and mostly come from South America. The different hat bodies, from the rough to the finished hat, are also shown. It will pay any one to stop and see the display.

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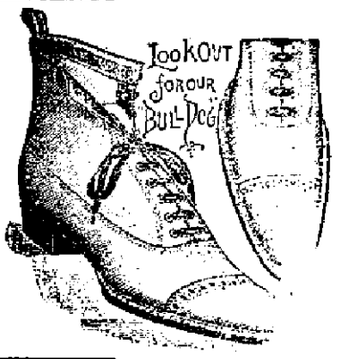

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